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am seventy years old now, and since half a century, I have been collecting and selling Chinese Antique works of art. A very interesting profession which has business combined with pleasure: Rarely one day has gone by without some excitement of securing or planning to secure certain objects.

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It has therefore prompted me, with great regret, to take the irrevocable decision of retiring from this activity.

My joy in business was principally to gather beautiful things because I always considered that money was only a means of exchange. When I had surplus money I gave it to charities, to the neediest. I have even established, in 1938, an irrevocable perpetual trust, the income of which is to be used to send Chinese students to be educated in this Country in engineering and medicine.

Possibly there are some of my compatriots, who are blaming me for having shipped out of China some antique works, now recognized as national treasures. I wish they would first blame the past ignorance of the inhabitants, because whatever I have exported from my Country was purchased in the open market, in competition with others.

I can say that not one single object has been removed by me from its original site. For example, the two Chargers of T'ang T'ai Tsung, now in Philadelphia, were originally removed from the Chao Ling (Mausoleum of the Emperor T'ai Tsung) by a foreign dealer. These bas-reliefs were stopped at the provincial border and taken back to Sian Fu, where, years after, we bought them from the then local authorities in power. Those sculptures were transported by the Army to Peking and the money was used to build schools.

As all art lovers, I have always dealt in antiques with an international mind and I feel happy to-day that these works of art, that were exported by me, will be safely and carefully preserved for posterity, because I am afraid that, if they had remained in China, many of those beautiful objects would have been inadvertently destroyed and their existence not even known.

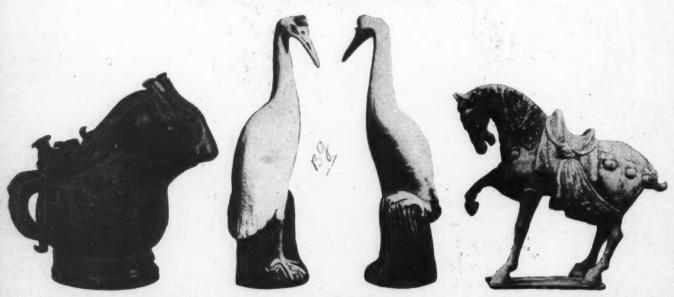
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#### Bureaucraey in the Arts

SIR: The continual insistence of the ART DIGEST on independence and freedom in the arts has been so thoroughly imin the arts has been so thoroughly impressed upon me from years of devotion to its valued pages, that it was a considerable blow to have the number which contains an article considering and advocating the intrusion of government further into art [DIGEST, Aug. 1]. I know the trend of the times is for complete dependence on a political system to solve all human problems, and upon bureaus and index systems to do all thinking. However, to one to whom the arts mean life itself, it is inducive to low blood pressure and palpitations to have one of Mr. Tobin's caliber speak patronizingly of

life itself, it is inducive to low blood pressure and palpitations to have one of Mr. Tobin's caliber speak patronizingly of the arts and hope that government can do something "for" art and artists. He disregards the everlasting truth that when one allows government to do something "for" one, one makes it possible for government to do something "to" one.

As a very minor but ardent collector, I have always succumbed to the (probably feminine) temptation to figure the probable number of drawings my annual income-tax would buy; or perhaps not drawings, but how many works by young, little-known artists I could gamble on during the year. This would be such an exciting project. The art magazines all assure me that a purchase is the ultimate desired tribute to an artist. If this is true, perhaps the government could save lots of money in bureaucratic expenses by simply giving an exemption for the purchase of works by living artists, instead of setting up another bureau for goodness knows what.

With politics poking its nose into practically every phase of one's life, and with socialized medicine lurking around the corner ready to reduce my nearest and

socialized medicine lurking around the corner ready to reduce my nearest and dearest to numbers in an index system, I can only moan: "Please God, leave us art just a little longer."

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# Philadelphia News

By Dorothy Drummond

PHILADELPHIA: Maurice Molarsky. whose untimely death last season deprived the city of one of its most fluent realists, is being honored at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts by memorial exhibition. Starting with his work of 1904 when he came under strong Impressionist influence in Paris (Manet, Degas and Lautrec all seem to have influenced his style), the show includes a juicy little still-life virtually left wet on the easel, and several portraits painted shortly before his death. Although Molarsky tackled varied subject matter, he was especially able as a portraitist who felt and interpreted the underlying personality.

Earliest of the character studies are a fine portrait of the artist's father and a sensitive likeness of a little old lady, frail yet strong. This ability to catch both strength and subtlety developed early and remained with Molarsky to the end in portraits of men. It was when Molarsky turned his brush on women that he yielded to a flair for staging.

The memorial exhibition, however, commemorates a period as well as a painter. Strong in the Victorian flavor that nurtured Whistler, Tarbell and Sargent no less than the French Impressionists, it presents a fluid technique aloof from 20th-century 'isms.

Pacing the Molarsky memorial at the P. A. F. A. is the Art Directors 13th Annual, a large display through which both artist and public are kept abreast

of the role of art as an active, vital factor in advertising and daily life.

The Dubin Galleries opened their season in new quarters at 2046 Locust Street with oils and prints by the Chinese-American Seong Moy, and they followed that show with oils by Clayton Whitehill whose work has for its background a knowledge of printing types, poster and advertising design, and photography. As a painter, Whitehill possesses keen interest in space relationships whether in realistic, semi-realistic or abstract compositions.

Harvest time is the thread on which the first exhibition of the season is strung at the Georges de Braux Galleries. Including still-lifes, and landscapes by living French painters, it varies from the gay to the somber—now with grace notes of fantasy, now with deep chords of solidly built forms that demand restraint in composing. Represented are Jean Chauffrey, Jean Dries, Jean Dufy, Oudot, Georges Rohner and Jacques Thevenet.

Opening the Coleman Galleries is another French show covering painters from Monet to Picasso and varying from the playful lilt of Raoul Dufy and Paul Klee to the rugged seriousness of Rouault (*The Spanish Christ*). Included are pliant, luminous landscape watercolors by De Segonzac, landscapes by Friesz, oils and a gouache by Utrillo, a gay softly painted still-life by Bonnard, an early Monet rendering of Venice and a figure by Vuillard.

Original woodcuts by Bernard Reder, prepared as illustrations for Gargantua and Pantaguel, Apocalypse and Legends of Noah occupy the Print Club. Choice of subject matter suggests the flavor of the show. Disturbingly alive, the Reder imagination links today with the Biblical era, forcing the latter to interpret the former. A strange, beautiful horror of violent black and white contrasts and writhing forms pervades the Noah series in which white pierces black like a cry in the dark.

#### Wanna Buy a Duck?

American artists have been invited by Interior Secretary Oscar Chapman to aim their "artistic weapons" towards the fulfillment of a design for the 1951-52 Federal duck stamp. No prize is offered, but every duck hunter will carry the winner's handiwork. Entries must reach the Federal Fish & Wildlife Service by Jan. 2, 1951.

#### Cleveland's Cloak & Dagger Cope

After a dramatic history that began with the murder of its wearer in 1351, and reached a climax with its theft during the revolution in 1936, the Cope of San Cugat del Valles is back in the Museo Diocesano in Barcelona. The textile was bought in good faith by the Cleveland Museum in 1947, but two years later Dorothy Shepherd, Cleveland's associate curator, who was studying in Spain, identified it as the stolen 14th-century relic. It has therefore been returned to Spain, earning for Director William M. Milliken and the Trustees of the Cleveland Museum the grateful thanks of Manuel Trens, Director of the Barcelona Museum, Gregorio Modrego, Bishop of Barcelona, and the Spanish Embassy and press.

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# Dwight Kirsch Surveys a Troubled Area

N UCLY RASH of restlessness has broken out in art-A museum and art-school circles, this time mostly in the Middle West-and it leaves none of us untouched. In the midst of progressive art programs and ambitious, successful national exhibitions, director-trustee troubles have erupted. They have resulted in top-spot resignations (and rumored impending resignations) of administrators who have literally put their institutions on the art map. Even worse for the cause of continuity, lower-echelon departures have multiplied.

Of course this wastes the time and money of the institutions and people involved. But it adds up to much more than a series of individual headaches and heartaches. The fact that in many cases the local press has reported the squabbles, is serving to discredit art and the art world as a whole. It is also tending to tear down the growing public interest in art which many museums and general magazines have been so successfully fostering.

Educator and museum man Dwight Kirsch, new interim director of the Des Moines Art Center on a year's leave from the directorship of the University of Nebraska's art collection, has had a chance to observe the course of the illness troubling so many institutions. The DIGEST asked him to comment upon its causes and symptoms, perhaps to suggest a cure. Here is his statement:

"While details of the specific reasons behind the violent postwar shifts of art-school and museum personnel vary, a brief comparison reveals many common denomina-

tors. The following factors are all too prevalent:

"1. Changes in policy and top personnel for no better reason than that change itself seems desirable. Few such shifts have been based upon any real study of the problems involved or upon considered examinations of the qualifications of the old or the new leaders.

"2. Lack of due consideration of the institution's obligations to its community and to the sources of its support.

The latter, in many cases, are public tax funds.

"3. Lack of faith in art standards and principles. Often there is a tendency to jump on the new art bandwagons, to adopt the 'different' for its own sake."

#### Some Possible Cures

What can be done about it? Based upon an analysis of actual circumstances and talks with experienced men, Mr. Kirsch makes the following suggestions:

"1. Leaders of institutions where trouble develops should keep each other fully informed, for their mutual benefit.

2. Some protective association may be needed to establish and enforce standards of professional ethics, freedom of creative teaching and freedom of art-museum administration. Such an association could function in much the same way as the American Association of University Professors. Perhaps an existing group could serve.

"3. A stronger assertion of faith in basic, timeless art principles is badly needed. This is particularly true in the case of programs for art instruction. Too often the established order (perhaps strictly academic) has been followed without transition by the abstract academy. Frequently this takes the form of encouraging a watered-down Bauhaus style or an attempt to teach automatic painting.

"4. Most art institutions need to spend more energy in outlining a long-range program based upon specific or general needs of the students and public to be served. It would be possible in this way to safeguard continuity, without which any art program becomes only a bewildering series of changes.

Suggestions 1 and 2 seem to be particularly practical, for the disease of trustee-itis has always been endemic. Of course there are some inefficient museum administrators, and other capable ones who, for some personal reasons, find their jobs a bad fit. Their departures are not losses. The only tragedy of trustee-itis, for the community and for art as a whole, as well as for the people involved, comes when it strikes a good man after years of able service. If a man has been good enough to last for five years or more, he usually does not suddenly go sour.

Uusually trouble strikes for no better reason than the fact that he favors progress. In other fields the executive who fails to keep up with the times is soon booted out. In art, the reverse is too often true. Frequently the price of holding a job is closing one's eyes to new methodsand to new art.

But by the very nature of his work, the museum director, no less than the art-school director, is an educator. If a teacher isn't at least a jump ahead of his pupils, what good is he? Backing by an organization of his peers

may give him the strength he needs.

"Keeping up with the times" does not necessarily mean the exhibition and purchase of controversial art. That has been a large measure of the trouble, of course. But it isn't the key to the whole Pandora's box. If it were, a nucleus for a new museum organization would already exist. It could grow out of the well-considered joint statement issued last spring by the directors of the Museum of Modern Art, the Boston Institute of Contemporary Art and the Whitney who defined a museum's proper function in the exhibition of living art. According to this excellent modern manifesto, the museum should "survey what artists are doing as objectively as possible, and . . . present their works to the public as impartially as is consistent with those standards of quality which the museum must try to maintain. . . ." (DIGEST, April 1.)

It is an open secret-opened by the Lincoln, Neb., pressthat Director Kirsch had some troubles of his own at home before asking for a year's leave to go to Des Moinesafter 26 years on the Nebraska faculty, and nearly 20 as director of an art collection he built into a national institution. (DIGEST, April 1, 1949; March 15, 1950).

About the time that he made his decision, the highest of tributes was paid to him indirectly in the form of Miss Frances Sheldon's bequest of approximately \$900,000 to the University to be used to build and equip a new art gallery. Miss Sheldon knew Kirsch well, and this bonanza to the University was based, we must presume, entirely upon a wise legislator's (and her advisor's) admiration for the program and collection Kirsch constructed, and faith in his ability to continue his work.

The exact nature of the Nebraska unrest has not been revealed. But when, after 26 years, a man of Kirsch's caliber has to face petty internal storms which caused three members of the art faculty to resign and another, in addition to himself, to ask for a leave, there is something wrong with the institution-not with the man.

Whatever may happen at the end of the year, the cause of art in America luckily will not be substantially damaged by the blow in Nebraska. Whatever community Kirsch blesses with his great talent for bringing art home to the people, we still will have him .- D. B.



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# Art in Chicago

By C. J. Bulliet

CHICAGO: New galleries hopefully dot the Chicago cityscape as the autumn season gets under way. Since old-time establishments like O'Brien's and Anderson's succumbed in the depression days, new adventures have been made each fall. So far, none has succeeded.

Adventurers this time include the Ruth Dickens gallery, a handsomely lighted establishment on the architectural scheme of the galleries on the West Coast, where sunlight pours in practically all the year round; the Swiss Chalet gallery in the Bismarck Hotel, in which is scheduled a series of one-man shows by residents of Switzerland; and the Gordon gallery in the Loop, devoted to advanced artists.

Current show at Dickens sets the pattern she expects to pursue: the discovery and promotion of new painters with new ideas. The four painters present make their living as high-grade commercial artists, but on Sundays and holidays they go "ethical" quite successfully. The four are Robert Sidney Dickens (associated with his wife in the new venture), Kenneth W. Olson, C. E. Waltman and Dave Chapman. Chapman, most original of the four, spends his Sundays on Lake Michigan doing watercolors, not only of the everchanging hues of the waves and of the sands and trees bordering the lake, but of nymphs and mermaids who rise out of the foam and flirt with him.

In addition to the new galleries, the established Chicago Galleries Association, after a quarter of a century on the second floor at 215 North Michigan Avenue, has moved skyward to the fifth floor. The man from Mars or from New York or San Francisco will scarcely notice the change, for the new layout is practically the same as the old: a main gallery for the hanging of oils, a smaller anteroom gallery for watercolors, and a private sanctum for director Harry Engle and his associates.

The stalwart Association of Chicago Painters and Sculptors, backbone of the galleries, has put on the inaugural show, scarcely more novel than the new galleries themselves. The Association is intent, in a serene sort of way, on holding the barricades of traditional American painting until the scatter-brained American 'isms have shot off all their horrendous toy cannon. In the show inaugurating their new quarters, some are over-doing the serenity. A new stretch of white canvas too offen has failed to suggest a new adventure.

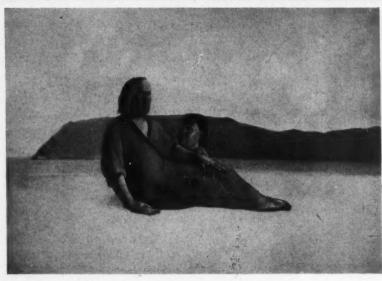
Five painters and two sculptors prominent in North Shore social circles are exhibitors at Mandel's in a show worthy of being placed alongside an exhibition by any group from the other side of the tracks. Edward H. Bennett, noted architect who paints as a hobby, and William Moulis paint the sea expertly. Lester B. Bridaham, secretary of the Art Institute of Chicago, adds to his painter's laurels with Alchemist Shop. Bridaham is witty as well as technically talented. Laura Cornell Harvey and Marianne S. Magnuson complete the list of painters. The sculptors are the veteran Sylvia Judson and Ginc Odell.

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CHRISTIAN BÉRARD: On the Beach Lent by Mr. and Mrs. James Thrall Soby



Portrait of Jean Cocteau Lent by the Museum of Modern Art

# Memorial to Bérard Who Searched the Soul and Set the Stage

By Dorothy Adlow

A COMMEMORATIVE EXHIBITION is assembled with a sense of exalted dedication soon after the passing of an artist. Devoted friends gather his handiwork from various sources, integrate what has never been organized, superimpose order on chaos. There is something moving in such an ardent expression of affectionate appreciation. But there is another feature of a memorial showing: the cold formality of inventory, the impersonal appraisal of a life work.

The Christian Bérard Memorial Exhibition has come across the Atlantic from Paris for display at six Amercian art centers. The initial showing is at the Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, where there are now on view 86 exhibits which include oil paintings, settings and costumes for the theater, drawings, sketches, book illustrations, and other decorative items. It is not a large exhibition, as retrospectives go, but it does reveal an exceptional versatility which could flourish in a special milieu of Paris. Easel painting was but one of Bérard's media. It was not that he had a specific, separate technique for each genre, but that his peculiar gifts were adaptable to various uses. With Bérard, fine and applied art merged.

Bérard was born in Paris in 1902, son of an official architect of that city. Edouard Vuillard and Maurice Denis were his instructors when he attended classes at the Académie Ransom. In 1925, Bérard became the friend of Jean Cocteau, who introduced him to the salons of Paris. During the following year, he was allied with a group including Eugène and Leonid Berman, and Pavel Tchelitchew, a group opposed to the prevailing, flourishing 'isms—cubism, fauvism, the impressionisms,

and even surrealism. They were interested primarily in man and the condition of his soul. Of course, there was no permanence in this association, for each of these artists invested his searchings with a personal nostalgia. If they were called neo-humanist, neo-romantic was the more apt characterization for Bérard's emphasis upon the bewildered and melancholy, his spontaneity of expression, prevailing restlessness, want of "finish," and often, untidy performance.

Most of Bérard's paintings are portraits, people whom he knew, pitied, admired, loved. His manner of painting seems to have derived from conventional sources. In the process of characterization, Bérard would depart from

> BÉRARD: Toumanova Lent by Boris Kochno



normal measure and shape, impose certain accents so that something exotic, even hypnotic resulted. A Portrait of a Young Man with incandescent eyes is executed in whitish streaks of pigment, sketchily, nervously applied. A staringeyed acrobat recalls the encaustic portraits of Fayum. There is a haunted expression in the transparent gray eyes of another youth; and chalky highlights accentuate the portrayal of a clown painted in 1930. It is a pathetic, disturbing society of types, showing confusion and resignation, and seeming in general to suffer from malady of soul. Self-portraits are built up to rounder, more solid resemblance, with hair tou-sled and eyes holding the spectator transfixed. On the Beach is a double self-portrait, envisaged as a collage with a corpulent figure of clipped outline, poised on a bare landscape. The lumpy contours contrast with the tensed firmness of a figure like A Young Girl Acrobat.

A disquieting solitude lies upon group pictures such as The Meeting. A creator of décors, Bérard furnished few, very few properties for the human drama of his own invention in oil paintings. If he did "like Proust before him document the haute monde," there is not much evidence of it in the present exhibition. Probably we, in the United States, will be obliged to lean rather heavily on the text and testimonial, picturesque description and enthusiastic appraisal written by Baird Hastings for the show's catalogue.

Christian Berard made his debut in the art of stage design in 1930, creating sets and costumes for the ballet, "La Nuit." He collaborated with Jean Cocteau in 1930 in the production of "La Voix Humaine." Later, he executed the

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(Left) DIERICK BOUTS: "Annunciation," ca. 1460. Tiny in size, big in concept and typical of the Flemish mixture of realism in portraying objects, poetry in portraying people. Showing the influence of Bouts' teacher, Rogier van der Weyden, it has also been attributed by some to Hugo van der Goes.

(Right) REMBRANDT: "Pallas Athena," ca. 1655. Affectionately painted in the artist's richest palette, this reference to the favorite child of Zeus may show Rembrandt's son, Titus, at the age of 15. Once the property of Catherine II of Russia, this painting, like the Bouts and Rubens shown here, was formerly in the Hermitage in Leningrad.

# Gulbenkian Art in Washington

As a GRACEFUL and welcome spiritual gesture of return Lend-Lease, Europe continues to send us her art. This year's successor to the Berlin and Vienna exhibitions comes not by courtesy of a nation, but through the generosity of a single man. Yet C. S. Gulbenkian, owner of 40 paintings on indefinite loan to the Washington National Gallery, offers a treasury of old masters as regal in provenance as the Habs-

burg and Hohenzollern art which recently visited here. Publicity-shy and fabulously wealthy, this Armenianborn naturalized Briton who seems to have had a hand in every major Near Eastern oil operation of the century, is probably the only living private collector both rich and discerning enough to have bought his pick of Rembrandt, Bouts, Rubens and French 18th century painting from the Hermitage and Potsdam, and of other Renaissance-through-Renoir splendor from leading private collections.

At least as great in their own way as the sampling we show here, are another Rembrandt (Old Man Seated, 1645), a Carpaccio, a Lochner, a magnificent early Hals and a pair of Manet portraits. A series of sparkling Guardis, a delicious a spacious Fragonard, a Lancret which was a favorite of Francophile Frederick the Great, a pair of Hubert Roberts and portraits by La Tour, Lépicié, Lawrence, Nattier, Romney and Gainsborough tell the 18th century story.

Mr. Gulbenkian also owns, though alas he has not sent her here, September Morn by Paul Chabas, that master-piece of meretricious modesty which was the best-selling international pin-up girl of the 1900s. It's a pity we can't have a look at her next to the Rubens at the right, for she might make an object lesson in the lasting vs. the fleeting values of art-or she might look a lot better than we

would expect.

Most of the pictures now in Washington have been on view at London's National Gallery since 1936. The British are not especially happy about parting with them, and are speculating about the eventual disposition of the collection.

An entirely different aspect of the Gulbenkian taste is already known to Americans. During the past two years some of his notable Egyptian sculptures and 18th century drawings have been on loan at the museum gallery which now shows the paintings. As the National Gallery's curator, John Walker, points out, Mr. Gulbenkian possesses to a preeminent degree Gladstone's six qualifications of a collector: "Appetite, leisure, wealth, knowledge, discrimination, and perseverance.'

(Right) RUBENS: "Helena Fourment," shown life-size in a Paris gown, about 1635. No mere fashionable portrait despite its elegance, this joyful painted ode suggests a happy husband's delight in the handsome model who was also his wife.





(Below) RENOIR: "Mme. Claude Monet Lying on a Sofa."
Painted about 1872 while Renoir was visiting Monet, it is a
miracle of light, color and of a perception rare in Renoir.



(Above) DEGAS: "Self-Portrait," ca. 1862. Restrained, impersonal, yet penetrating, it may have been this aristocrat's answer to Courbet's "Bonjour Monsieur Courbet."



SHAHN: Epoch. Downtown



LEWANDOWSKI: Christmas Tree Downtown.

#### Corcoran's Biennial Jurors

Three artists and two museum directors comprise the Jury of Selection for the 1951 Corcoran Biennial, scheduled to open at the Washington gallery on March 31. Whitney-honored Edward Hopper, portraitist John C. Johansen, and Corcoran School's vice-principal Eugen Weisz will be joined by the National Gallery's Macgill James and the Whitney's Lloyd Goodrich to pass on entries. Prize money (from the liberal endowments of Senator and Mrs. W. A. Clark) totals \$5,200.

# **Downtown Gallery Young at 25**

By Margaret Breuning

THE DOWNTOWN GALLERY is marking its 25th year with a showing of recent works by its contributing artists. Although we may not be "like harpers of eld, with beards that hang down on their bosoms," we do feel a creak of antiquity in the realization of our presence a quarter of a century ago at the opening of this gallery in its first home on West 13th St. New members have been added to its roster, but the essential purpose of its director, Edith Halpert, has never altered. Without partipris, she has continued to present works of intrinsic merit, regardless of the fluctuations of artistic vogues.

In the current exhibition there is the inescapable impression that the artists represented have drawn on resources previously latent, have found a greater amplitude of expression. Ben Shahn's Epoch is realism invested with lyricism, embodying in concrete terms a nostalgic symbolism of a past moment. Fish Kite by Kunivoshi is a far remove from his canvases of brooding, sultry ladies. The huge inflated kite-in the form of a red fish-floats across the canvas in an appreciable buoyancy, its brillint hue intensified by colorful details above and below it. Julian Levi's Weir transforms an everyday object into a magical beauty in its diaphanous structure of blues, enhanced by folds of wine-red.

Euclid Avenue by Jack Levine is a vivid characterization of two men on a city street. Shedding all traces of Soutine's influence, once felt in his work, the artist allows full play to his powerful, personal expression. Rainey Bennett touches a cluster of city buildings with subtle reflections of color in Evening Light, George L. K. Morris invests his Converging Disks with a pat-

tern of rhythms which mark it as a departure from his familiar formalized designs. David Fredenthal's Sonata may transgress the bounds of his medium of watercolor in its size, yet it has magnificence of effect-the musician and his instrument revealed and concealed overlapping planes of sensuous colors. Louis Guglielmi's From Manhattan employs every note of the spectrum and then more, yet is resolved into harmonious accord with its firm armament of design. Jacob Lawrence appears to have set his palette in less vehement tones in the exquisite hues of the singer's blue dress in The Concert, while the slight distortions of the intent audience emphasize characterizations.

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An outstanding item is William Zorach's sculptured head, Man of Judah, thrown back with an implicit gesture of inner power. Its delicate modeling of facial structure endows this symbolic conception with an awesomeness of spiritual authority. Marin's Movement-Manhattan reveals the artist's greater command of the medium of oil painting in its increased clarity and fluency without sacrifice of his vitality of expressionistic intensity.

Other concepts deserving more than casual mention are Niles Spencer's almost monumental The Watch Factory, the impeccable resolution of line and forms in Charles Sheeler's Skyline, the rich textures of plumage and vitality of massive form in Karl Zerbe's The Big Owl, as well as canvases by Reuben Tam, William Brice, Bernard Karfol, Wesley Lea, Edmund Lewandowski and Paul Burlin—all presenting original creative ideas ably realized. An exhibition of American Folk Art is also included in this distinctive showing. (Downtown, to Oct. 21.)

# Good Design Needs No Translation

Promoting the most progressive art is stock in trade for the Museum of Modern Art. In keeping with this policy, the Modern recently announced its intention to organize and produce the first extensive exhibition of well-designed American home furnishings—"Design for Use, U.S.A."—to tour the principal cities of Europe and Great Britain.

First to have a look-see will be the citizens of Stuttgart, when the show of some 500 items of furniture, fabrics, lamps, pottery, glassware, floor covers, luggage, decorative and personal accessories arives there early next year.

Shaping the character of the exhibition are two outstanding persons in the field. Edgar Kaufmann, Jr., now conducting the "Good Design" exhibitions for the Museum in collaboration with the Merchandise Mart in Chicago, has been appointed director of over-all activity. Detroit architect Alexander Girard, whose most recent success was the staging of the exhibition "For Modern Living" at the Detroit Institute of Arts, will prepare both the show and its illustrated catalogue.

In regard to the show, Kaufmann notes: "There is much evidence that Europeans are keenly interested in American design, and we look forward

to the generous cooperation of American industry in presenting this side of our national life to a wide European public. Plans are being made to circulate this exhibition in such a way that a maximum attendance, including tourists as well as residents of the big cities, can be assured."

## Unesco Proposal: Duty-Free Art

UNESCO's proposal for an international agreement to lift duties on paintings, drawings, sculpture, prints, etc., consigned to galleries and museums, will go into effect following ratifica-tion by 10 countries. Acting on a con-stitutional mandate to "recommend such international agreements as may be necessary to promote the free flow of ideas by word and image," the 59 member states of UNESCO, which met recently in Florence, approved this unprecedented move to abolish duties which detain works of art in customs warehouses. Governments adhering to the new agreement will no longer list works of art and materials of educational, scientific and cultural nature as "commodities." Heretofore, some countries have taxed sculpture "by the pound," and have imposed heavy bond on the sponsors of imported exhibits.

# **Dealers Help Artists Help Themselves**

By Doris Brian

THREE COMPLETELY unrelated events on the current calendar add up to a trend: dealers in contemporary art are beginning to create brand-new markets

for their boys.

Samuel Kootz at long last has introduced advanced painters to advanced architects, and the romance should blos-Reeves Lewenthal is continuing AAA's program of inducing top artists to design ceramics, and the results are shown—where they belong in the in-terests of greater sales—not in an art gallery, but in 25 shops throughout the U.S. Fredric Karoly of Perspectives has encouraged his artists to make fabric designs, and the finished textiles, now on view at his gallery, are being seen not only by "art lovers" but by those who should see them strictly for business reasons.

It has always been the dealer's job to look for new art outlets by searching for new collectors, encouraging museum purchases, and circulating his merchandise. A few attempts have been made to tie up art and industry— with the sometimes distressing result of

artistic compromise. The happiest thing about the three current events is that they involve no compromise whatsoever. By furnishing the avant garde with enormous surfaces for oversize concepts, Kootz provides his artists with their most logical medium as well as with an all but untapped market. By suggesting that painters and sculptors use their mastery of design to make better textiles and ceramics, and by providing outlets for such designs, Lewenthal and Karoly are not asking artists to water their serious work, but to help support it by engaging in a profitable side-line no more demanding than the teaching to which many of them must turn.

#### Avant Garde Murals at Kootz

This project not only comes under the heading of clever art merchandising, but of public service. Five modern architects were asked to supply plans and models of existing or projected buildings which could use murals, and five artists were asked to supply decora-tions which would fit. It's about time, and the results are rewarding.

Many who have taken their avant garde with a grain of skepticism as easel painters, have long wanted to see

ADOLF DEHN: Frolic. Lord & Taylor



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how they would perform if given a strictly decorative role and plenty of space in which to move. Since these artists have eschewed representation and concentrated upon form, color, and the emotions they evoke, their work is best when it is large in scale. When it can be viewed extensively, as background, rather than intensively, as a small spot on a wall, it is completely satisfying. But few of us have had a chance to see it so used.

It is an odd and sorry coincidence that while the avant garde lacked walls to paint, some of the best of our advanced buildings have suffered from mural blankness, from vast expanses of wall which called out for color distributed in irregular and provocative patterns. Last spring, at the Architectural League's Gold Medal exhibition (DIGEST, June 1), it was distressing to see only yesterday's art bidding for a place in tomorrow's buildings. The result was that the buildings used no art, and it was everybody's loss.

While none of the projects in the present show has actually been commissioned, architects and clientele are interested. The best news is that the proposed decorations are perfectly practical economically. A typical asking price is \$2,500 for the chic and remarkably fluid design which Baziotes suggests for the principal partition wall (12 by 15 feet) in a Philip Johnson glass house. For anyone who can afford such a dwelling, the sum is reasonable.

Largest of the projected murals is a giant Motherwell, a beauty of beige, green, yellow and white counterpoint intended for a 27 by 63-foot wall embracing the auditorium of a Gropiusdesigned school in Attleboro, Mass. One of the smallest is the moody totem in monotone which Gottlieb planned for the public room of Marcel Breuer's new Vassar dormitory. The students would love it.

Most exciting is the Hofmann, Architects Paul Weiner and José Sert, commissioned to build a whole new city, Chimbote, for the Peruvian government, plan a 50-foot campanile for the middle of the marketplace. This, Hofmann proposes to embellish with titanic mosaic abstractions, tossing a riot of hot color against the bright blue Peruvian sky. Seeing it would be worth a trip to Peru.

Of course there's a madcap here. For an egg-shaped house by architect Frederick Kiesler, sculptor David Hare proposes a bronze staircase leading to a bronze grotto which all but fills the interior. It would be a wonderful place to visit, but I'd hate to live there.

#### AAA Ceramics at Lord & Taylor

In place of the usual "gift shoppe" art, the new line of ceramics at Lord & Taylor is the work of some of AAA's stars who, within the limitations of the medium (a high-fired clay called Stonelain), were permitted to design whatever objects they chose and to decorate them as they pleased. If they wanted to—and many did—they could see their work through the kilns.

The result is a handsome series of dishes, vases, bowls, and figurines which bring De Diego, Joe Jones, Chaim Gross, Arnold Blanch, Nura and others home



HANS HOFMANN: Mural (detail). Kootz



MOTHERWELL: Mural (detail). Kootz

to the American public to the tune of \$3 to \$32.50 per item, with a few beckoning at \$75.

Of course this is commercial, and of course the retailer and AAA stand to profit. But so does the artist who gets a minimum guarantee against five per

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TINTORETTO: Finding of Moses

# Columbus Gallery, at 20, Looks to the Past to Lead the Future

TAKING A LONGING look back at the times when today's battered values were aborning, the Columbus Gallery of Fine Arts, now marking its 20th anniversary, has come up with an exhibition titled "Treasures of Five Centuries." A minuscule survey of the high points of painting, this show rates high in birthday-candle-power. Its 40 paintings and sundry precious objects, all Americanowned, date from the 15th century and represent a line of titans extending from Raphael to Cézanne.

Shows of this sort hardly require an excuse. But for those who need one, Columbus' director, Lee H. B. Malone, draws a neat conclusion in his introduction for the exhibition's illustrated catalogue. He writes: "It is significant that this exhibition includes the major schools of art from the western countries of Europe and the United States during a span of time which might be described as 'the Age of Humanism.' During this period, these countries

CÉZANNE: Victor Chocquet



forged together a particular way of living and acting, a temper of thinking, feeling and seeing which sets them distinctively apart into what has been called 'Western Civilization.' [That civilization is] now meeting one of the gravest challenges to the continued preservation of its values. It is, therefore, fitting at this time that we should take another long look at these values in the master works of the artists who have helped to build and form [them]. . . ."

To form a brilliant galaxy about its new acquisition-Cézanne's Portrait of Victor Chocquet (see illustration)—Columbus has garnered a number of notable paintings, among them Tintoretto's outsize Finding of Moses from the Lorillard Collection (see illustration). Other items chosen to light up the past and liven up the present are a pair of portraits by two Spanish truthseekers: the blunt Duchess of Alba by Goya and Velasquez' Marianna of Austria, both from the Ringling Museum in Sarasota. From the 19th century, there is the seldom-seen Van Gogh Park of the Hospital at St. Remi (lent by Ralph M. Coe) and Renoir's Young Girl Arranging her Earrings (from the William G. Mather Collection),

Completing the picture, there are paintings here by Rembrandt and Rubens, Terborch and Hals. Gainsborough, Reynolds, Raeburn and Turner account for the English. For France and Italy there are Delacroix and Bellotto; for America, there is Ryder and the expatriate Whistler.

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"These artists," Malone goes on to say, "far from being the helpless victims of worldly conditions, have been the conquerors of their materials and have helped to shape the structure of civilization for many successive generations. Moreover, the artists of the Western World, especially, have almost always been champions of liberty, work-

ing to free their vision and that of their peoples from all stereotyped rules that are intended to impose an academic and tyrannical continuance of the 'status quo.'

"In this exhibition, we see the artists of Italy, France, Germany, England, Spain, the Netherlands and the United States, each growing within the framework of his own place in time and geography, each bringing some new effort to the liberation of an essential human dignity based on the freedom of the will.

"It is for all of us today, who inherit this great estate, to work, to fight and to sacrifice for its sure preservation from all that is foreign to its ideals. It is our privilege to pass along to the coming generations our way of life and the grandeur of our life."

#### **Pope Paints What He Professes**

Paintings by Arthur Pope, Harvard Professor of Art, Emeritus, come under the heading of "Studies in the Art of Painting." Current at the Vose Galleries in Boston until October 14, this show includes work done during Pope's 50 years as one of the most celebrated of American art educators.

Artist, teacher and writer of treatises on theories of painting and esthetics, Professor Pope likes to think of himself as a representative of a peculiarly Harvard tradition which had its beginning with Charles Eliot Norton and which was inspired by President Eliot.

Professor Pope's paintings bear out his keen interest in 18th- and 19th-century painters, his desire to develop "a sound, if not spectacular, theory of the visual arts, and to give students a reasonable basis for understanding and discrimination." To this intention, many of his paintings were made as illustrations of the techniques and the various media used by the old masters under study in his courses.

# New Publisher Goes All-Out for Art

WHEN AN AMERICAN publisher publishes a random book on art, that's not News, and news which augurs good for lovers of good things at better prices, is the fact that an American publisher, at long last, has set out to

publish nothing but art books.
On October 7, the news-making out-fit—Harry N. Abrams, Inc.—will release its first three books: El Greco, Renoir and Van Gogh. These bonanza books-each devoted to one artist, each containing 50 unbeatable color plates plus gravure illustrations of the artist's drawings-inaugurate a projected series, the "Library of Great Painters."

Behind this venture is Harry N.

Abrams, former advertising manager of the Book-of-the-Month Club, now a member of the club's Board of Directors. Abrams has the pulse of the mass market, the taste of the class market, and plenty of publisher's intuition. No hodge-podges of borrowed plates and platitudes, his books are as new as next year's Buick. New plates are used throughout. An excellent balance is preserved between reproductions of fa-

miliar paintings and of paintings never before reproduced in color. And unstuffy critic-scholars provide fresh texts plus plate-by-plate comments: Meyer Shapiro for Van Gogh, Walter Pach for Renoir, and Leo Bronstein for El Greco.

On the technical side, know-how boosted a publisher's sales estimate of 5.000 to a pre-publication advance sale of 10,000, meanwhile keeping the price of each volume down to \$10. Considering the care and checking involved in making the superlative plates alone, the price is right. Paintings were photographed on location here and in Europe. Experts checked negatives meticulouslv. European engravers helped make the plates which other experts checked and rechecked against the originals, sometimes returning proofs for correction as many as four times. Finally, on small one-color presses, plates were custom printed on a new kind of glossy paper.

The reproduction on our coverwhich is printed on big presses by the usual wholesale methods—is a sample of the series' subject. It isn't, of course, a sample of the custom craftsmanship.



El. Greco: Burial of Count Orgaz [A detail is shown on our cover]

# **Book of Kells in Replica**

The monumental task of reproducing in facsimile the whole of the Book of Kells — famous hand-written, illuminated version of the Gospels-has been accomplished for the first time. Issued in a limited edition of 120 copies for the U.S., the vellum-bound, two-volume opus, published by Urs Graf-Verlag in Switzerland, is priced at \$450.

More than 1,000 years old, the Great Book of Columcille, as the Irish manu-script was originally called, consists of an illuminated Latin copy of the Gospels, plus early records of the village of Kells. In its facsimile version, 48 pages have been reproduced in full color. To accomplish this, photographic experts worked painstakingly for four years with the latest techniques.

Hailed as "the most beautiful book in the world" and "the finest example of early Christian art," the original has drawn countless scholars to Dublin.

An introduction by Dr. Peter Meyer of Zurich University analyzes the "grammar" of the illumination and the infinite variety of style which authorities agree has never been equaled.

EUGENE SPEICHER: Pigtails

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# Maine's Long View of Peirce

A retrospective exhibition, current to October 30 at the Farnsworth Art Museum in Rockland, Maine, gives a full view of the full career of Maine-born and Paris-trained Waldo Peirce.

Included in the show are 47 oils and 20 watercolors which extend from 1912, when Peirce painted the Roman Forum, to up-to-date portrayals of the American scene from his favorite state, Maine, to Florida

In an introduction to the show's 16page catalogue, Robert Beverly Hale of the Metropolitan Museum honors Peirce for his warm and vigorous view, his way of presenting "all men, from the forgotten men to the man of distinction, all women, from the derelict to the dowager, and all children . . . with the sympathy and with an understanding of

their essential human dignity."

Portraits in the show include those of Christine Weston, Max Eastman and Dr. Clarence Little. Other canvases treat landscape, family scenes, circus life and exotic processions. Lenders to the exhibition include collectors, both private and industrial, as well as notable American museums.

WALDO PEIRCE: Mike Fishing



BOOK OF KELLS: St. Matthew

## Speicher Show in Buffalo

Drawings and paintings by Eugene Speicher, internationally known Buffalo-born portraitist, make up a retrospective exhibition which is current to October 26 at the Albright Art Gallery. The exhibits—57 in all—range in date from 1908, the year Speicher left Buffalo for the Art Students League in New York, to 1949.

Focal point of the show is the portrait of another Buffalonian-Katharine Cornell in the role of Candidawhich Speicher painted in 1925-26 and which the Buffalo gallery has permanently acquired. Still a third Buffalo resident, watercolorist Charles Burchfield, has written the foreword to the Speicher catalogue.

Among the important U.S. museums which have lent Speicher canvases and drawings to the show are: New York's Whitney and Museum of Modern Art; Pittsburgh's Carnegie; Washington's Corcoran; the Detroit Institute of Arts; and the Art Institute of Chicago.





MATTA: Every Man a King. Janis

# No Keeping Up With the Janis

WHILE THE 57TH STREET season gets off to a lumbering start, impresario Sidney Janis takes advantage of the lull with blitz tactics. "Challenge and Defy," his opening exhibition for the 1950-51 season, is a nose-thumbing show, a show of what Janis euphemistically calls "extreme examples by 20th-century artists."

Call it what you will, it looks like something staged by Billy Rose in cahoots with Henry Miller. Magritte's life-size female nude—reduced to her erogenous essentials, mounted piecemeal on a pane of glass, and hung against a backdrop of black lace—is so much horseplay. So is the "replica" of Duchamp's Fountain—in Paris, in New York, and in plain talk, a urinal. But the freak is the rule here; the rest is shown to keep up appearances.

Dealer Janis takes schoolboy delight in some of the show's least delectable facets. The catalogue alerts visitors for "practices that flaunt every possible ramification of painting: wildly distorted form [Picasso's Figure Seated, 1941], disagreeable textures, repellent color [Dubuffet's Man with Yellow Tie, 1946], erotic or candid portrayal [Delvaux' Pygmalion, 1939], paintings that are difficult, scathing, morbid [Dali's Visage of War, 1940], insulting, melancholic, or desperately sardonic, works that satirize good taste, exult masochism or glorify putrescence [Albright's Dorian Gray, 1944]."

The foregoing is sufficient criticism. But if this show is no great shakes artistically, as a conversation piece it's at least as good as "The Cocktail Party." And though Janis tries to justify it by dropping the names of a few of art history's famous renegades—Cézanne, Manet, Renoir—it does make one thing quite clear: there's a line between defiance and depravity. Dealers don't often know where to draw that line. Artists should. (Janis, to Oct. 21.)

-BELLE KRASNE.

# **Buchholz Drawing Show Poses a Question**

THIS LARGE EXHIBITION of contemporary drawings by painters and sculptors not only reveals the bases on which their finished works rest but shows experimentation in form and contour far removed from their final opera. It raises the unanswered question about whether or not there is good and bad drawing—good drawing supposedly following such a norm as the famous points de repere; bad drawing ignoring them. It appears obvious here that a good drawing is one which expresses the artist's idea succinctly, whatever method he chooses.

Maillol's Nude (sanguine) emphasizes the preoccupation with bodily structure that marks his sculpture, the bodily rhythms building up design with tension between the contours.

Chagall's Angel (pen and ink) is delectable imagery, so diaphanous in outline that it is almost a tracery, its spread of uplifted wing suggesting a butterfly more than a heavenly visitant. Roger de La Fresnaye's After Michael-

angelo (sanguine), is a surprising departure from his semi-cubist paintings.

Michel (pencil), by Modigliani, displays none of the exaggerations associated with his work. Papers by Juan Gris evidence his turning from flat cubism to suggestions of form in space.

The group of papers by Picasso is explanation in itself why this protean artist bewildered the public by his changing phases. The tenuous outlines of the spirited Horses (pen and ink), the realistic modeling of Standing Woman (ink and gouache), the cruelty of the distortion of the woman's figure in La Toilette, which appears to be a travesty on a favored theme of Degas, are examples of his variety.

Many other works of divergent talents are included in this large showing. Unfortunately, many important ones were not yet available at the moment of reviewing, pausing in that artistic limbo, the frame makers. (Buchholz, to Oct. 14.)—MARGARET BREUNING.

# All Abstract at Argent

One Man's Meat isn't necessarily another man's poison—not, at least, if the man is Alexander Stoller, Argent's openeyed director, and if the meat is his preference in painting. That preference showed up in Stoller's two-week opener for the season, an invitation show indicating some contemporary directions in abstraction.

The second such show to be welcomed by the constitutionally conservative gallery, "America Paints" did credit to the good, if catholic, taste of the man behind it. Hand-picking kept the level of performance fairly high, Strictly on the basis of quality, a vintage '45 Motherwell, La Resistance, was singled out over more recent work. A strong composition of solid color patches, warring with a mottled passage against a ground of gray, this painting set the show's sights. In the same category were two 1949 Gottliebs—an enchantingly light-colored, light-mooded Woman and Bird, and Night Birds, a somber, blown-up



BAZIOTES: Black Silhouette. Argent

pictograph section in brooding black and blue startled by reds.

Coupled with his taste, Stoller's catholicity could serve as a model for exhibition jurors. It accounted for the presence of a Pollock—a strong one—though Pollock isn't a Stoller favorite. On the other hand, Stoller's excuse for the inclusion of Bosa's anecdotal Fish Story—a painting alien to this abstract company—was a frank admission of bias: "I like Louie."

More in keeping with the tenor of the show was a virile Tomlin arrangement of green tapes; an intricate Jimmy Ernst (handsome, if slick); and a precariously balanced Baziotes, as dead in color as it was compositionally alive.

Verging on the romantic were Stamos' vaporous Falling Fig, and an Ad Reinhardt miasma shot with brilliant color notes which wriggled like bolts of laboratory lightning.

Others who contributed work at Stoller's behest were Ben-Zion, Bodin, Booth, Daily, Drewes, Graves, Lewis, Moller, Ollendorf, Ritter, Schanker, Sekula, and Snaith. (Argent.)—Belle Krasne.

# Darrel Austin: A Decade in Review

A DECADE has passed since Darrel Austin had his first showing at the Perls Gallery. Austin's current retrospective exhibition marks this anniversary as it marks his development over a ten-year period. It may surprise many persons who associate Austin's work chiefly with his bestiary of monumental animals; that there are so many figure pieces in this showing. The earliest canvas, *The Sisters*, is in a sense a prototype for later works.

It is not difficult to realize that the artist has, throughout this period, taken the first germ of an inspiration—such as the expanse of *Moonset*, with its somewhat scattered detail—and developed it in a number of variations until he attained a full measure of his ability as a landscape painter.

At this point, we find him coordinating the vastness of horizons with the figures beneath them, as he does, for example, in *Prairie Dusk*.

In his landscape work, one of Austin's special gifts is his power to suggest

deep recession of background through the play of light on the heavy foliage of proliferating trees. The net result is an eerie note of a hidden world behind the actual scene.

The breaking up of heavy surfaces of white pigment lends a brilliance to the costumes of many of his figures, which causes them to stand out with an astonishing effect, yet subordinates their radiance to compactness of design.

It is impossible to comment upon the many figure pieces which seem to step out of a magical world into a recognizable one in graceful conceptions of form and gesture. However, one might mention Summertime, The Rape of Europa, and the enchantment of The Bewitched. A pencil drawing, Horse Kicking, displays Austin's accomplished draftsmanship, in which delicacy and strength are combined.

In viewing this show, one feels the intensity of purpose which marks every stage of the artist's development. (Perls, to Oct. 28.)—MARGARET BREUNING.



DARREL AUSTIN: The Moon Song. Perls

# **New Ganso Gallery Previews Its Group**

As PLEASANT A GROUP of pictures as ever graced a new gallery's walls can be seen at the Ganso gallery along with Carl Walters' delightful ceramics and effectively understated bas-relief sculptures by Thomas Pennings.

Founded by Fanny Ganso, who has been associated with Weyhe and A.A.A., the Ganso gallery has a room set aside for a continuous exhibition of the late Emil Ganso's work, besides the main room for changing exhibitions.

The pictures sampling the work of gallery regulars who will later be seen in one-man shows, range in style from the frankly realistic (Emil Ganso's warm, charming Bather) to the not-too abstract (Howard Mandel's compe-

tent, romantic, nostalgic Garden Party).

Promising work is shown by Jenne Magafan, whose simple, cool-toned Back Fence is one of the nicest things on view, and by her twin, Ethel, who applies the same romantic vision to country rather than city landscapes.

Expressive drawings by Liza Shapiro, which show a sensitivity not negated by a certain technical clumsiness, a decorative Avery nude, Frank Gebhart's strongly designed study of birds and rocks, Esther Kastl's sharply defined *Trio*, William Pachner's religious canvases, in which landscape and figures melt together in flowing line and softly blurred color complete the roster. (Ganso, to Oct. 28.)—PESELLA LEVY.



MARY SINCLAIR: The Blue Room Van Diemen-Lilienfeld

Mary Sinclair Solo

The vibrancy of color in Mary Sinclair's paintings gives them an immediate appeal. Longer viewing brings a realization of how subtly these colors are related and how ably their patterns support the armature of design. The artist has a special flair for interiors, resolving the detail of window and door frame, of furniture and hangings into an impressive totality. Particularly appealing are the vivid notes of The Orange Stairs; the melting harmonies of blue and green in The Blue Room.

Miss Sinclair preserves a nice balance between realistic veracity of detail and fantasy in its development. She possesses the ability to imbue her pictures of children and animals with a tender yet unsentimental charm. The naked, little boy peering into his bath tub over his floating toys, the children lying in the double decker bed on flamboyant quilts are examples of this gift.

But the outstanding canvas in this showing is *The Studio*. The justice of the lighting, the clarity of the design, the sense of intense preoccupation in this canvas display the real endowment of the artist. (Van Diemen-Lilienfeld, to Oct. 12.)—MARGARET BREUNING.



HOWARD MANDEL: The Garden Party. Ganso



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Edward Chavez

Paintings by Edward Chavez are imaginative recastings of natural forms in a distinctly personal expression, with some facet of observed fact taken as the basis for the vivid statement. In Summer Storm, cataclysmic fury of rain, lightning, and ominous clouds sweep over mountains and valley, while the Armageddon of elemental forces is contrasted by the serenity of a seated figure regarding this battlefield. The Lake translates the forms of a landscape into a series of brilliantly colored planes which fairly jostle their angles against one another, while a tracery of dim foliage appears in the background.

A number of engaging bird subjects reveal close observation of the avian world. The poignancy of *Dead Bird* is especially effective. The gaping mouths of nestlings in a precarious aerie in The Family Tree, and the impression of concentrated evil in a row of birds in The Roost are unusual and ably developed conceptions. One feels that the artist is finding the exact language to express fresh, individual reactions to the world. (A.A.A., to Oct. 7.)—M. B.

## Louise Bourgeois

Like slender, up-ended clubs or oars, sculptures by Louise Bourgeois poise tensely in space. These simply carved wood figures are inhabitants of a private world through which the sculptor has attempted to express a conception of human relationships as well as of spatial relations.

Each figure is from five to five-anda-half feet tall and painted white, black, or a deep earthy red. The carving is a highly simplified, almost totemistic, individual shorthand. When the sculptures are grouped together, this totemistic aspect is heightened. They seem ready for use in some primitive rite.

Other pieces, such as the white-painted Figure Entering a House, are planed flat on one side to stand against the wall. Through the wall sculptures and the grouped sculptures, Miss Bourgeois intends to express the relation between isolation and togetherness. Whether or not they convey this idea, it is to their credit that they make a highly individualistic and rather beautiful impression. (Peridot, to Oct. 28.)-P. L.

#### Things to Come at Laurel

A stimulating group of modern-minded pictures and sculpture by gallery members is gathered under the title of "Things to Come," at the Laurel Gallery. What has come there is a large and lively show whose emphasis is on complete abstraction.

Jimmy Ernst shows two handsome and disparate works: a Greek Dance fluidly painted in rich color, and a more aloof City Space. Paul Bodin shows nonobjectives which stress tensions of forms in space, and Gertrude Greene exhibits

dramatic abstractions.

Exhibiting for the first time is Paul McCobb, a painter who has recently become a very successful designer of modern furniture. His oils are sensitive semi-abstractions, poetic in color, graceful in linear form, Sculptor Calvin Albert's vigorous, richly toned drawings steal attention from his more lighthearted stick-like sculptures. Good abstractions by Harari and Conover, sculptures by Cashwan and Lassaw and subjective to subject-less paintings by Frances Pratt (now a non-objective painter), Grace Borgenicht (who remains faithful to watercolor landscape), J. Shadbolt, Henry Strater, Peterdi and director Ritter complete the show. (To Oct. 14.)-J. K. R.

## Jack Zuckerman

In his first one-man show of paintings, Jack Zuckerman reveals a surety of purpose and such apparent ease in following it that he impresses one as an experienced artist. Zuckerman prepares his canvases with wax crayon,

CHAVEZ: The Family Tree. AAA

Bourgeois: Figures (detail). Peridot Cashwan: Standing Figure. Laurel







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ZUCKERMAN: The Past is Prologue. Hacker

and on this ground paints with casein, obtaining both color depth and a shimmering beauty of surfaces. While most of his work is abstract, with mere adumbrations of figures or architecture, some of his canvases present forms boldly relieved in their contours.

Color is one of the most striking assets of this painter, completely enveloping his paintings with exquisite modulations of delicately adjusted notes. He brings his designs to the edges of the canvas, filling them completely, and thus securing intensity of expression.

There are poetic and emotional undertones in the statement of his themes, such as *Pharoah Sleeps* in which mysterious sentinels guard a shadowy palace door, the whole canvas enveloped by a latency of blue radiance. (Hacker, to Oct. 21.)—M. B.

STREETER: Little Girl Lost. Hewitt

## Pat Trivigno

It isn't often that a young artist's first exhibition is as purposeful and accomplished as the current one by 28-year-old Pat Trivigno. A recent émigré from obscurity, Trivigno shows a large group of works exciting in color and swift in movement. In paintings of varied themes—lively animal compositions, Mexican studies of peoples and places and impressive religious works—the artist's ability to recognize the requirements of the picture is notable.

In each painting, abstraction of varying degrees is used as a means rather than an end—a means skillfully employed in work which never strays too far from the natural point of departure.

Just as description of form varies, so does Trivigno's use of color. Some paint-



TRIVIGNO: Tarascan Women. Luyber

ings are brilliant orchestrations; in others his bold use of color is subdued as he limits himself to browns and warm reds and yellows. Throughout Trivigno reveals mature mastery in his easy integration of parts that make up a painting. (Luyber, to Oct. 21.)—J. K. R.

#### Muriel Streeter

Many of Muriel Streeter's softly brushed oils convey the poignance of childhood in the country. These land-scapes, often seen in the autumn dusk, are pensively inspected by little girls who wander hand in hand, or pause by a clump of flowers or, round-eyed, at the edge of a marsh. Occasionally one senses a faintly menacing overtone.

This artist uses color to evoke subtle variations of mood. Love of color for itself shows in the placement of a glow-

ANLIKER: Thoughts of Flight. Seligmann



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CLARKE: Midsummer Still-Life. Feigl.

ing red sweater, golden hair, a crisply white apron against the silvers, lavenders and greens of twilight. (Hewitt, to Oct. 14.)—J. F.

#### Allan Hugh Clarke

Allan Hugh Clarke rings many changes in his painting mediums (oil on paper, tempera on gesso, gouache on paper, for example), yet throughout this variety, a common denominator of fine craftsmanship and sensitive perception appears. In the figure pieces and landscapes, Clarke seems to express his personality less definitely than in his still-lifes.

In these still-lifes (is a canvas imbued with an inner vitality actually a still-life?) the artist especially displays

his gifts of creative design and originality of color pattern. Fish Platter, gouache, presents the ponderable blue fish with their decorative yellow scales against a lucent vibrancy of blues and greens.

In Still-Life, Squash, the decisive rendering of contours emphasizes an important facet of Clarke's work, as well as the fact that whatever objects he includes on his canvases, they contribute definitely to design—there is no frittering away of intensity of expression through cluttered detail. They are all the work of a painter at home in whatever medium he chooses, able to select and control subjects consonant with his individual conceptions. (Feigl, to Oct. 11.)—M. B.

#### Marguerite Roché

Marguerite Roché, a French amateur painter and recent American citizen, is holding her first exhibition in either country. Largely self-taught, Miss Roché paints nostalgic scenes from her native village, populating the warmly remembered landscape with gay crowds indulging in modified Brueghelian antics. The spacious landscapes and frolicking folk all have charm, and the best of the paintings achieve true distinction, among them Drop the Handkerchief and A Village Fair. (Demotte, Oct. 9-28.)—J. K. R.

## Roger Anliker

Roger Anliker, who teaches at the Carnegie Institute, makes his New York solo debut at the age of 26 with a number of scholarships and an assortment of prizes behind him.

A magic realist technique is used to delineate the figures, rituals and symbolic objects of an inner world of poetic visions. This is a silent landscape at the surrealist edge of our world, rather than in another world, for familiar laws of perspective still prevail.

Bottles, shells, butterflies, jewels,

Bottles, shells, butterflies, jewels, scraps of paper, ribbon, weather-bleached twigs and branches accumulate here and in Lost Silences are mysteriously suspended by thread in a windless void. Melancholy circus performers, seen as magicians, quietly wait or engage in solitary experiments such as flying a kite within a vast cavern into which a baleful green moon shines while a bird emerges from his cage to watch.

In the finely organized Sun Alone, a young man stares bemusedly at objects resting on a flimsy trapeze of bark—a broken coconut shell, a piece of jewelry—while the primordial sulphurous sun blazes in a copper blue sky.

Most of this work is done in egg tempera or encaustic. A few large gouache drawings of heads emphasize sensitive draftsmanship, but what Anliker has to say is in the paintings. (Seligmann, Oct. 2-21.)—J. F.

## John Stephan

John Stephan brings to his new show some of his best work to date. Though clearly a development of earlier configurations, the effect is quite different. The rather heavy scaffolding, the rather obvious balances are gone. Color boundaries not so sharply defined, one area now flows into another. And the palette is much lighter, softer.

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Against a background of light greys or browns, moss greens and greyed lavenders, thinned with turpentine, washed on like watercolor, patches of thicker pigment are rubbed on—streaks of pink, ivory or chartreuse and splashes of white. If color contrasts are delicate, structural contrasts are stronger; horizontal against vertical, swirling serpentine lines against straight. The overall effect vaguely suggests the sliding walls of a Japanese house.

In one painting a loose broken framework of black, grey and white encloses clouds of light green, peach and ivory with touches of sienna. In others skyscraper windows appear in the background as if seen through the sunlit smoke and mist of a hazy day. (Parsons, to Oct. 14.)—J.F.

#### James Allen

A dreaming painter, whose visions of a single theme take form in many graceful variations, is James Allen. In his debut he shows 11 paintings modern in form, centuries old in romantic appeal. All depict women—nudes on foot or horseback posing in abstracted land-scapes. The color glows in a restricted scheme which nearly always opposes green to red, yellow or blue. The nudes, elongated like those by Modigliani, are ivory-toned and in their romantic isolation, though not in their drawing, remind one of the world of Arthur Davies.

Dissipating any effect of weak sentimentality is the strength of design and bold arrangement of forms. This is a piquant exhibition by an original artist who is quite likely to charm a wide public. (Rehn, to Oct. 21.)—J. K. R.

#### Janet Marren

Janet Marren brings intelligence, experience and taste to bear on the cubist tradition, drawing her themes from architecture for the most part. Lavenders, raw sienna, ochers and browns predominate in these oils, and separation of geometric planes is achieved by prismatic use of black lines.

In Quiet Vigil a more personal and poetic vision is presented. Here the

Rochž: Drop the Handkerchief. Demotte



dark, hooded forms of waiting women are set within a cubist quilt of yellows, grape blues and new leaf greens. *Demolition* presents a fragmentation, abstraction from explosion rather than analysis.

In her more recent work Miss Marren composes in a vertical field and reinforces or separates planes by means of thinner lines than before. This greater delicacy permits the subtleties of a finely orthodox cubist's color sense to be seen to better effect. (RoKo, to Oct. 11.)—J. F.

#### Leo Manso

Poetic abstractions of nature themes, executed with grace and clarity in a palette which changes from light and airy to dark and brilliant, make up most of the pictures in Leo Manso's show.

Here again is abstraction used not as an intellectual exercise but as a way of coming closer to the truth. Seascapes which paint the moods of water and the land it creates, dominate this lyrical exhibition, from the tranquil, misty Early Morning Pier to the fireworks design of Marine, and the dark and brooding totem pattern of Water Images. Not to be missed either is the watercolor, Early Morning Village. (M. Levitt, to Oct. 14.)—J. K. R.

#### William Fett

William Fett, who has just left for Italy on a Fulbright Fellowship, exhibits large watercolors and ink drawings which reveal considerable change and growth since his 1947 show of oils. In the interim he has studied in St. Louis, thoughtfully considered Léger, and reacted to Mexico where most of this work was done.

Mexico is present in a vibrant palette and in quasi-Aztec shapes. But this is also a machine-age Mexico of girders and steam shovels as well as of savage eagle divinities. We are shown a kalei-doscopic landscape of Mexico-as-idea in powerfully organized patterns of magenta, viridian, golden ocher, purple and earth brown, bounded or segmented by bands of darker color or black.

Fett lays his watercolor on thickly, layer on layer, until an opaque almost waxy effect is achieved. He is equally proficient with colored inks, but in this medium his work makes less of an impression, seeming intricate and cluttered rather than complex in organization, shiny-bright rather than strong in color.

It will be interesting to see what the new Italians and this strong, individual American make of each other. Fett and Vedova may see eye to eye on structure. (Bodley, Oct. 2-21.)—J. F.

#### Watercolor Groups

Two neighboring galleries long devoted to American art, Babcock and Kraushaar, are showing recent watercolors, gouaches and pastels by old and new members of their groups. Together comprising work by two dozen painters, the exhibitions emphasize the American artists' interest in and ability with the water mediums.

Most of the artists represented do not use watercolor exclusively, but only a few turn to it for the quick, light sketch or immediate seizure of a scene that was once watercolor's prime use in the hands of many oil painters. Here



Manso: Aspects of the Harbor. Levitt

watercolor is used as a major medium for both conservative and modern works.

Romanticism dominates the Babcock showing—in the pure romance of Liberte's moonlight seas, in the expressionism of Sol Wilson's excellent gouache Low Tide, in Martin Friedman's rich casein Lament and even in John McCoy's tranquil nature essays. George Ratkai's Fighting Cocks and an abstraction by Henry Botkin, are also outstanding here.

At Kraushaar, starring works include Easton Pribble's well-designed Barn and Horizon, Karl Schrag's economical and poetic Sun and Rocky Coast, another landscape by newcomer Louise Stanton and abstractions by William Kienbusch, Heliker and Hartell. In more realistic vein is a sensitive Young Boy by Andrée Ruellen, a typically luminous scene by Fausett, a good landscape by James Penney. (Babcock, Kraushaar, both to Oct. 21.)—J. K. R.

#### Anne Ryan

The mantle of the late Kurt Schwitters now rests on the shoulders of Anne Ryan who has constructed an ideally ordered, two-dimensional world of superb small collages. But where Schwitters' compositions stem from Dada and whimsical transformation of art nouveau, this artist has ideas of structure firmly based on the cubist and constructivist traditions. As a result, her collages have a classicist restraint, a geometric logic which gives this most sensitive work surprising strength,

Most of these compositions are in a pastel key of light greys, yellow, beige and many whites. A few show that the artist can handle sumptuous color, Indian oranges, Van Dyke browns, citron greens, magenta and black with authority. No. 117, a triumph of delicate color drama, reverses her usual darker against light arrangement, and places chartreuse, maroon, grey and white tissues against a deep slate blue.

The taste and ingenuity so evident in many variations on a color theme,

is also expressed in the inventively contrasted textures of gauzes, silks, wools, leather and papers, sometimes gouache scumbled. (Parsons, Oct. 3-23.)—J. F.

#### Six Artists at Schaefer

Contemporary abstraction's wide range is illustrated by the work of six artists, jointly showing at Bertha Schaefer's. The gratifying enlargement of this gallery permits these sizable works to live "side by each" without impinging visually upon one another.

A witty Summer Family by Will Barnet includes all the vacation symbols. Horizontal emphasis here is skillfully broken by curving forms in a play of high color. Balcomb Green's Abstraction Becoming Figure takes place before one's eyes as line and contour merge into a solid form in a depth of rich hues. The Lovers by Peter Busa could be labeled an "opus" for all its relevance to such a theme, It is a handsome patterning of blue and white forms, sharply defined on a gray and white background.

Norman Daly's Bull Calf achieves form, substance and a curious inner intensity in its gamut of browns. Gloria

RYAN: Collage. Parsons





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by Cameron Booth is a heavily pigmented canvas, its white and yellow triangular and circular forms drawn into coherent design. Worden Day's somewhat involved canvases of stratified forms register in their use of vehement color. (Schaefer, Oct. 2-21.)-M. B.

#### Benjamin Kopman

An expressionist whose sympathy with his subjects' aspirations and frustrations gives his work a special eloquence is Benjamin Kopman. Typical of his style, which combines traditional genre approach with modern description of form, is the appealing series of artists and art lookers. Here each picture is suffused by a warmth of feeling that makes the observer an intimate viewer of the scene. Afternoon at the Met, Daumierlike in its depiction of round and square huddled people, becomes a contemporary work in its use of arbitrary luminous color. Bather, portraying a gargantuan man with rough, clumsy face, is a personality closeup which has perception and dignity as well as sculpturesque breadth of form.

Hilly Landscape and Landscape with White House are good examples of Kopman's romantic treatment of landscape, which like so much modern landscape owes something to Cézanne and much to his own personality. (Milch, to Oct. 23.)-J. K. R.

## Leo Quanchi

From an earlier style in which a certain moodiness-and sometimes muddiness-was the least common denominator, Leo Quanchi has developed a style that places strong emphasis on twodimensional design.

Basic forms are simply constructed, color is then flatly applied within these shapes in geometric areas that often bisect them, sometimes dissect them.

Black plays an integrating role, holding screechingly brilliant color down, or heightening the effect of somber tones.

These mannerisms are often very effective. For example, in *Moving Forms* the sharp contrasts of light and dark areas, and the vertical cutting of the figures combine to give a pulsating, voodoo rhythm to the picture.

In many of these new canvases, how-ever, Quanchi's latest bag of tricks seems to do little more than decisively label the pictures "Quanchi." An individualistic mannerism means something only when it is a means of individual expression, not when it is arbitrary. (Salpeter, to Oct. 20.)-P. L.

#### Gertrude Rogers

Gertrude Rogers is a true primitive. That is, she is concerned with setting down with directness and appreciable candor, her visual experiences of the world environing her. She has had no formal art instruction, yet she pos-sesses a flair for decorative design as well as a nice discretion in the balance of what to say and what to leave out in her paintings. Her brushwork is admirable, achieving soundness of forms and variety of textures.

Quite naturally, her subjects are drawn from the Michigan countryside with which she is familiar-birds, squirrels, exquisite wildflowers, the changing face of the seasons.

The ability to sum up the feel of

place is illustrated by her Evening in the Woods, a little cluster of flowers, berries and leaves at the foot of a tree under varied illumination and shadow, conveys a sense of the cool remoteness of the woodland stretching away from them. Without naturalism or stylization, the artist lends a sense of reality to her creations which both reflects her own pleasure and awakens that of the beholder. (Amer. Brit., to Oct. 7.)-M. B.

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#### Victor Gatto

After years of failing eyesight the vision of Victor Gatto, at 58 one of the best of our primitives, has improved enough so that his recent works include some of his most impressive.

The 17 paintings shown cover a wide range, and include at least one work as nostalgic as a Grandma Moses-a Fire, Fire with horse-drawn engines racing wildly through New York to the excite-

ment of spectators.

The Hereafter, a wonderful tapestry of trees and leaf-strewn earth, Dream Landscape and Carnival in Venice all have the crisp detail and lavish beauty of mediaeval landscapes. Painted in thick jewel-like color with individual attention to each blade of grass and turn of leaf, they are richly-wrought and remarkable paintings by a gifted man. (Barzansky, to Oct. 16.)—J. K. R.

#### Sylvia Carewe

Sylvia Carewe is a painter dominated by her love for color and pattern. The result is decorative work which aims high and succeeds quite often. Dredge, which pits red and black shafts against stylized water of various blues; a portrait of the clown Fratelini, which uses crushed glass for the gold glitter of costume, and a fanciful picture of Venice are outstanding. Other works are appealing too, but since these are derivative, their distinction is dimmed. (A.C.A., Oct. 9-28.)—J. K. R.

#### Group at Van Loen

Chagall, Mané-Katz, Walkowitz, Ben-Zion, and Lichtenstein are represented in an exhibition of small paintings and drawings from the collection of M. Cot-These are studies of traditional Jewish scenes and people. Particularly pleasing to this reviewer was a softly austere oil by Lichtenstein. Painted in greenish greys, ivory and rose brown, it shows a pensive bearded man seated at a table on which is laid a meal of fruit and wine.

Also shown are a group of woodcarvings by Nehemiah Mark, a self-taught sculptor who, three years ago, got the idea of expressing Talmudic concepts by means of simple wood carvings in order to clarify them for the young. Working with whatever scraps of wood were at hand, he has turned out a series of devoutly knowing reliefs and figures. (Van Loen, to Oct. 15.)—J. F.

#### Trio at Serigraph

A trio of artists, all new members of the Serigraph Society, contribute to lively exhibition of prints. Russell Twiggs, whose paintings have been seen in national annuals, is here revealed as an accomplished serigrapher and inventive abstract designer. Brilliant or subtle color expertly handled adds luster to works like Under the Sea and a

Man in Phantasy distinguished by glowing tones and jig-sawed rhythms.

William Boughton shows a group of fresh and capable prints that range from a colorful report on Sponge Boats to some swiftly drawn compositions and a more imaginative Islands of Adventure. Arthur Flory's flair for decorative animal pictures (which must serve him well in his work as writer and illustrator of children's books) is best seen in Bird and Rooster. The poetic, semi-abstract Fogbound suggests what Flory can do in more serious mood. (Serigraph, to Oct. 16.)—J. K. R.

#### Louis Farre

Colored lithographs by Louis Favre possess a boldness of design and a vehemence of color which produce an astonishing effect, yet all these planes of color washing over the surfaces do not conceal the sound draftsmanship of the figures or the skill of their arrangements. There are many subjects of clowns in abstract design heightened by glowing contrasts of color.

A group of the smaller papers are illustrations for Rimbaud's Season in Hell which echo the tragic conceptions of the poet with consonant power. All the papers, whether nudes, clowns or handsome interiors, reveal the highly developed craftsmanship of the artist in a decidedly individual expression. (Berès, to Oct. 14.)—M. B.

#### John Ruggles

Building his forms by an additive process of finely knit brush strokes, Woodstock artist John Ruggles achieves a plasticity in his watercolors that is elastic in technique, sensitively subtle in nuance and strong in the constructive patterning of each form

tive patterning of each form.

A fine synthesis of his admiration for Cézanne and Seurat, his painting is still essentially his own. Stonehenge; Army Camp, Tidworth, England; Sandy Beach, Pelham Bay are only three of the show which demonstrate Ruggles' excellent craftsmanship and sensitive handling of his medium. Ruggles' innate sense of composition vacillates between the realistic in some and the abstract in others but it is the latter which represent him at his best. (Artists', to Oct. 19.)—G. S.

#### James Carlin

Sparkling studies of picturesque places in England, France and Ireland are seen in James Carlin's watercolor exhibition. Fluency and spontaneity, twin attractions that so often distinguish American watercolors, are present here in good quantity, as are also good, bright color and an imaginative vision.

Carlin, who was born in Belfast, paints the Irish landscape with zest. A series showing an English fishing village and another depicting Montmartre are also good and colorful reports. (Grand Central, Vanderbilt Ave., to Oct. 6.)—J. K. R.

#### Joshua Epstein

Joshua Epstein, in 26 paintings, displays a remarkable divergence of approach. In such a canvas as Four Moods he appears to escape both subjective and objective description in a symbolism which reflects a purely mental conception. In other pictures, he employs logical forms, only distorting them un-



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expectedly to rid them of realistic effect. Most of his figure pieces follow this ideology. Again there is deliberate fantasy in Death on A Horse. While pallor and vagueness mark much of the work, Apple and Knife is carried out in insistence of color and clarity of definition.

So many varieties of esthetic idiom may indicate that the artist is exploring different paths before deciding on his final maturity of expression. (Van Diemen-Lilienfeld, to Oct. 12.)—M. B.

#### Elizabeth Grasso

Still-lifes and an occasional landscape or figure painting make up Elizabeth Grasso's second exhibition. Fresh and resonant color harmonies are the outstanding features of these modest paintings which describe nature with pleasure and a realism modified by the artist's interest in color. Yellow Roses and In a Yellow Bowl are among Miss Grasso's best florals, while a promising head of a Youth tackles a more ambitious subject. (Eggleston, to Oct. 7.)-J. K. R.

#### Amalia Perlman

In her New York solo debut, Amalia Perlman exhibits oil and watercolor landscapes. Pastoral scenes are skillfully suggested in patches of sunshineafter-spring-rain color and in occasional swirling black lines. In the oils a kind of pointillist impasto is achieved, and here observation is more discerning.

One might think that élan in the presence of nature would sufficiently explain these paintings, but the artist labels her credo "vibralyrism." This, one gathers, is the discipline of retaining a virgin heart and eye in the presence of the "homely" and natural. Nonetheless, those who have lost their "vibralyrism" may still be able to enjoy Miss Perlman's lyricism. (Creative, Oct. 2-14.)—J. F.

#### Miller Brittain

Prize-winner in Canadian exhibitions, Miller Brittain illustrates his basic religious convictions in his first New York show. Compelling in composition and technique, Brittain's tempera paintings treat scenes from the Old and New Testament with vision and sensitivity. By use of texture, and the forceful application of rich pigment, he achieves a harmony of color impression and strong personal expression. Treating a subject which has long engaged the artists of a Christian world. Brittain's paintings are vital in spiritual content and often atmospheric in quality. (Binet, to Oct. 13.)-G.S.

## William Fisher

In new oils and watercolors of Maine coastal subjects, William Fisher seeks to define the character of a scene as it varies according to hour and weather. He works rapidly, and his most effective studies seem to be those in which a quick hand and eye capture the brief melodramas of late afternoon light, as in Lobster Pier where a low sun burnishes the ocean, silhouettes the figures of fishermen, picks out the textures of wood pilings.

Draftsmanship is sure, color authentic, but the interest of this work derives from subject matter, not from technique or concept. (8th St., to Oct. 8.)-J. F.

## Equity's Bureau

One of the more practical activities of Artists Equity is the year-old Equity Bureau which is already successfully finding work for artists. Equity Bureau is a central clearing house—the first on a national scale to be established by, and for, the professional artist. Artists' records are on file for prospective employers to consult.

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625 Madison Avenue.

#### Neuberger Collection at Smith

One collector's taste in contemporary American painting is the subject of the season's first exhibition at the Smith College Museum of Art where selections from the collection of Roy R. Neuberger are on view to Oct. 22.

Largely expressionist in flavor, the 20 pictures on display also include two American versions of cubism—Stuart Davis' Barber Shop and From a Church Door by George L. K. Morris. Other artists present are Jack Levine, Philip Evergood, Adolph Gottlieb, Abraham Rattner, Byron Browne, William Brice and William Baziotes.

#### The Artist and History-A Symposium

"The Artist in American History" is the title of a two-day symposium to be held at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington October 27 and 28 in connection with the Gallery's exhibition, "American Processional" (DIGEST, Aug. 1).

Director Hermann Williams, Jr., has invited the following authorities to speak at the meetings: Lloyd Goodrich of the Whitney, Director Edgar P. Richardson of the Detroit Institute of Arts, Columbia University's Professor Henry Steele Commager, and art historian Elizabeth McCausland who prepared the exhibition's catalogue. A panel discussion will be led by Holger Cahill.

Those wishing to attend, should notify Miss Eleanor Swenson, the Corcoran's curator of American art.

#### San Francisco's East-West

The recently founded East-West Arts Foundation has launched a membership drive, the purpose of which is to maintain the East-West Arts Gallery founded last year by Rudolph Schaeffer, in his San Francisco school, to show alternately Oriental art and contemporary Western design. At least six exhibitions annually are planned, with accompanying gallery talks and lectures. Oils by ELIZABETH

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# Los Angeles Events

By Arthur Millier

Los Angeles:-The sixth annual All-City Art Show, to open here Oct. 13, will be staged on an unprecedented scale. Besides the usual two-week exhibition of paintings, sculpture and miniatures at the Greek Theater in Griffith Park, there will be nine outdoor art shows from Oct. 13 through 15 in as many city parks and recreation centers, plus one in a Beverly Hills park. Music, entertainment and demonstrations will be part of each outdoor event.

All this has the support of art organizations, the Chamber of Commerce, the Junior League and other groups. The local chapter of the American Institute of Architects has undertaken to design installations for the outdoor shows and will have an architectural display at the Greek Theater. Volunteer workers and committees are vving to present the best programs. Officers of artist-organizations chose the jurors to select work for all the exhibitions.

The expanded program being undertaken by the Department of Municipal Art, of which Kenneth Ross is the director, would never have been undertaken except for the imagination and promotional and organizing ability of Sarah P. Millier who thought it up as a climax to "Know Your City Week," a C. of C. undertaking of which she is chairman. This in turn is part of a year-long civic beautification program called "Los Angeles Beautiful." During that week, Oct. 9-15, museums, art galleries and art schools will hold special shows, as will the A.I.A. In addition, tours of architectural projects in the city will be arranged and publicized.

The outdoor shows appealed to the Municipal Art Commission because Los Angeles is so decentralized that many people never enter an art gallery. Each park will show work by artists living in its general district. Police and other city departments are aiding. The Mayor and city councilmen will open the exhibitions simultaneously. If the thing goes off well it should lead to an an-

A not very good art show labeled "Operation: Peace!," held in a local gallery in August, kicked up quite a fuss when this writer pointed out that the Arts, Sciences and Professions Council, which sponsored it, is generally considered a Communist front, that its propaganda stemmed from the Stockholm Peace Petition, and that programs, with donations of 50 cents per person, were of the same ilk. Some of the letters I got from "peace lovers" were very warlike. A number of the best artists removed their work when they saw the show's announcement.

The Dalzell Hatfield Galleries came up with one of the best small shows of French and their own California painters last month. Soutine's Pheasant and Rabbit and Richard Haines' Carnegiebound picture, a green and blue land-

scape called Mesa Verde, were the hits.
The James Vigeveno Galleries are celebrating their 10th anniversary with a low-price array of 200 small works, many by noted artists. Twenty-seven were sold the first week, mostly to people new to art-buying.

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By JUDITH K. REED

## Italian Drawings in England

"Italian Drawings at Windsor Castle." Edited by A. E. Popham and Johannes Wilde. 1950. London: Phaidon Press. Distributed by Oxford University Press. 390 pp. with 403 illustrations. \$12.50.

Another excellent addition in the valuable series cataloguing the treasury of drawings in the collections of Windsor Castle, this new volume is devoted to drawings of the 15th and 16th centuries in Italy. Since these collections comprise more than 1,200 works (excluding those by Leonardo which have been catalogued elsewhere), the book is a rich source for students and lovers of Renaissance draftsmanship. Moreover, since comparatively few of the drawings have ever been reproduced or catalogued before, the work is as newsworthy as it is noteworthy.

Among the hundreds of artists covered are Michelangelo (represented by some of his most famous drawings), Raphael, Pisanello, Lippi, Bellini, Signorelli, Ghirlandajo, and Gozzoli. Best represented in the Windsor collection are the artists of the High Renaissance. These include many not well known to the general reader who now can look with a sense of adventurous discovery at many of the reproductions.

Catalogue and notes were prepared with the sound scholarship which characterizes the rest of the series. The text is illustrated by 176 full-page plates and 226 additional pictures.

#### **Edvard Munch**

"Edvard Munch" by Frederick B. Deknatel. 1950. New York: Chanticleer Press. 120 pp. with 79 illustrations. \$3.50.

The first major publication on Munch in English, this excellent monograph was prepared in conjunction with the current traveling exhibition of the artist's work. In addition to a thorough biographical and critical text by the director of the Municipal Collections of Oslo, which sent so many of the paintings to this country, the book contains 76 reproductions, including 6 in color. An absorbing book on an original artist who has only recently been introduced to a large American public, it should help all interested in modern art to understand both Munch and his time better. And for those who missed the important exhibition of his work, this makes as good as possible a substitution for the real thing.

#### Creative Design

"Art Structure: A Textbook of Creative Design" by Henry Rasmusen. 1950. New York: McGraw Hill Book. 109 pp. Illustrated. \$4.00.

A serious and enlightening text on the means and aims of art expression, this work by a University of Texas art teacher should provide stimulating reading and study for all art students. Laymen too will find it instructive, for in learning what an artist must know and do they will, of course, learn more about the art of looking at and enjoying a picture.

Not a simplified "how to do it" book, this one presents in words and in many reproductions, charts and diagrams the problems involved in making a picture or sculptured object. A discussion of techniques takes up one chapter. Others deal with theme and expression; unity, the third dimension; line, space, tone, color and textures. Good use is made of reproductions of old and modern art, both Western and Eastern, while a seven-page analysis of one composition, Brueghels Wedding Dance, summarizes the principles observed and studied elsewhere.

A very practical and useful part of the book offers a suggested studio program: a series of 59 exercises and experiments designed to develop skill, imagination, and awareness of art problems. Students, alone at home or in supervised classes, can benefit from this thoughtful section.

#### Hals Group Portraits

"Frans Hals: The Civic Guard Portrait Groups." Introduction by H. P. Baard. Translated by C. H. Peacock. 1950. New York: The Macmillan Co. 29 pp. of text and 54 plates. \$6.50.

Frans Hals' six group portraits of the Civic Guard are discussed in this monograph by the curator of the Hals Museum of Haarlem. Each of the paintings, which together offer portraits of 83 banqueting or reveling men, painted during a period stretching from 1616 to 1639, is fully discussed. For each there is a diagram complete with numbered models; there are detailed notes on the men, or the artist and the picture; there is a double-page reproduction of the painting; and finally, there are detail plates in color and in black and white.

In addition, there is a general introduction which gives a brief and not too lucid history of the Civic Guard, a corps originally formed for military defense, later involved in church and civic matters. Just what kind of banquets the Guards staged can be gathered from the author's note that in 1633 a decree was issued limiting the duration of the annual banquet to no more than four days—an understandable legislation since the city focted the party bill

a treat for all Hals admirers, this book again demonstrates the genius of a Dutchman who, though he was forced to apply for relief at the age of 82, had made his dazzling technique inseparable from his subject to create a style which is just as fresh today as it was 300 years ago.

#### **Book Briefs**

ART DIGEST columnist Ralph Pearson, artist, writer and pioneer teacher of modern creative painting in mail courses, is marking his 24 years as a teacher by a new mail course. Titled Critical Appreciation Course II, The Modern Renaissance in the U.S., it offers 50 illustrated articles on artists and art movements. Included in discussions of current art topics are reprints of several columns written for this magazine. The provocative course is \$5.00 for single subscriptions and will be sent in monthly installments, along with a binder. Later, the course will appear in regular book form.



AUGUST RODIN: Head of Balzac. To be auctioned at Parke-Bernet Galleries, on October 18 at 8 P.M., exhibition from October 14.

# Auction Calendar

October 5, 8 P.M. Parke-Bernet Galleries: 19th Century paintings. Property of an Eastern educational institution, a Western educational institution, a Western educational institution & others. Includes genre subjects by Detti, Israels, Joseph Brandt, Schreyer, Munkacsy & Roybet; landscapes by Corot. Daubigny & Thaulow; Venetian scenes by Ziem; Portraits by Henner, Mancini, Kaufmann & Sorolla. American paintings include works by Blakelock, Tait, Moran, Inness, J. G. Brown & Ridgway Knight. Also Max Liebermann's Portrait of Richard Strauss Conducting the Ninth Symphony. Exhibition from Sept. 30.

October 6, 10:15 A.M. and 2 P.M. Parke-Bernet Galleries: French & English furniture & other art property. From the estate of the late Elizabeth Cossitt Stokes Terrien & others. Exhibition from Sept. 30.

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October 6 and 7. 1 P.M. Plaza Art Galleries: Furniture, silver, porcelains, paintings, rugs and jewelry. From the estates of the late Mary A. Palmer & Bradford H. Walker & others. Paintings include works by Aston Knight, Adrian Van Der Meulen & Jean Baptiste Greuze. Exhibition from Oct. 3.

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October 7. 2 P.M. Parke-Bernet Galleries: English furniture, miniatures, Georgian silver. Property of Mrs. Chester Dane, Ralfe Isham & others. Includes miniatures by Holbein. Clouet. Augustin, A. Plimer, Cosway; American miniature furniture; prints. Exhibition from Sept. 30.

October 11, 12, 13 and 14, 2 P.M. Parke-Bernet Galleries: French & other furniture, paintings & objects of art, garden furniture & sculptures. From the estate of the late Samuel Rubel. Paintings of European & American 17th-19th century schools include genre subjects, landscapes & portraits by such artists as Jacques Vallant, Eduardo Léon Garrido & Rudolph Epp. Exhibition from Oct. 7.

October 18, 8 P.M. Parke-Bernet Galleries: Modern paintings, bronzes & sculptures. Property of Keith Warner, Mats Bjerke & others. Included are four figure pieces by Max Weber, an interior by Milton Avery & several John Marin water-colors formerly in the collection of Alfred Stieglitz. Also Street in Montmarte by Maurice Utrillo; and paintings by other French artists of the 18th and 19th centuries; Still Life and Reclining Nude by Hovsep T. Pushman; approximately 25 paintings comprising first selections from the Pepsi-Cola Company collection of Modern American Art. Among the bronzes are works by Rodin, Maillol, Barlach, Kolbe & Kollwitz. African sculptures include masks from Dahomey & the Belgian Congo. Also here Early Benin bronzes & Pre-Columbian stone sculptures. Exhibition from Oct. 14.

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# THE MATERIAL SIDE

By RALPH MAYER

Panels

LAST MONTH I discussed some points on artists' canvas without reference to the other ground which is in fairly wide use for paintings, namely panels made of wood, composition material or metal. In discussing these, I now omit references to the prepared or readymade surfaces such as canvas board, academy board and the like, which are valuable materials for many purposes, but are seldom employed to substitute for the traditional oil-primed canvas or the panels with gesso or oil primings.

At the time when oil paint on canvas began to be used as the standard, universal technique for easel painting, textile fabrics had a considerable tradition as a support for artists' designs in oil paint on such objects as banners and draperies. Easel paintings and other works of a serious or permanent nature had been invariably executed in tempera on wooden panels primed with gesso. But wooden panels were never entirely superceded as supports by the more popular canvases.

Whatever the reasons for the choice of panels instead of canvas for paintings in oil in the past, they are as a rule selected by their present users not so much for any superior durability but usually because of a preference for such surface qualities as smoothness, rigidity or other properties which are more suitable for the users' requirements than the more roughly textured or limber canvas. So far as gesso grounds are concerned, panels must be chosen instead of linen because the acqueous grounds and mediums in general are not sufficiently flexible to be used on canvas.

It is not a simple matter to analyze all the reasons why one is preferable to the other in all cases. It may be observed, however, that in general canvas is more often the choice of the spontaneous, direct type of painter, while smooth panels are used principally by those whose style is deliberate, planned or precise. But this is not a hard-andfast rule. Most artists who dislike panels object to their lack of the yielding, springy action of canvas under vigorous bristle-brush or palette-knife stroking, a reaction to which many painters have become so accustomed that it influences their entire mode of working. Conversely, those painters who rely upon precise, clean-cut designs, often find that this same property of canvas presents a difficulty to be overcome.

You can't poke a hole through a painting on a wooden panel, but otherwise it is subject to as many other ills and damages as is an easel painting on canvas. Those who deal with old pictures know that each type survives in about the same proportion, and find that restorations and repairs are as frequent on one as on the other. The conditions under which pictures on wooden panels survive in Europe must be more favorable than they are here, judging by the rapidity with which panels become warped, split or have their paint and gesso flake or blister after they arrive

here. Many of the American paintings on wooden panels 100 years old or more, are also found to have been repaired.

For these reasons, artists who want to use panels have turned to materials other than the traditional planks of solid wood or the more desirable plywood, Turning to modern materials in a search for an improved, homogeneous support, artists in the recent past have tried sheets of synthetic or composition board and sheets of metal. In the case of the former, all sorts of wall-board have received fairly good practical tests for 100 years or so. As a result of their behavior, taking into consideration all technical or material requirements for a desirable panel, the shortcomings or defects of some and the advantages of others, one manufactured product has gradually become the basis of a standard practice among American painters. This is Masonite Presdwood, securely glued to wooden frames or cradling strips and coated with either gesso or oil grounds.

Twenty or 25 years is not a lengthy test of time as compared with our experience of traditional artists' materials, but the general consensus among specialists is that such panels have an equal, if not better, expectancy of permanence in our climate than wood.

Other materials such as sheets of an asbestos-cement composition have also shown promise, but much less is known about their durability.

I have frequently referred to the disadvantage of not having modern, scientific data, such as could be supplied by planned basic research on artists' materials. The subject of grounds and supports is one which would lend itself very well to tests.

This is particularly so in the case of metal sheets used as supports for easel painting—a thing often proposed but seldom attempted by painters because the physical procedures, facilities, skill and expense involved are usually beyond the command of artists.

Copper is about the only metal painting support that has any tradition of former use behind it, and the dilapidated condition in which most surviving specimens have come down to us does not encourage its revival. The two most promising metal supports under consideration are stainless steel and aluminum or aluminum alloys. The former has received little attention by artists -perhaps its weight in sheets of the necessary rigidity would rule it out. Aluminum sheets have been more frequently tried out by artists. Originally it was thought to be an ideal metal because it combined lightness and structural strength with a chemical stability that promised freedom from corrosion. However, industrial experience with the permanence of coatings on aluminum (especially with aircraft) has shown it to be somewhat of a problem. The surface must receive the proper sort of treatment to assure permanent adhesion of coatings, and such treatment sometimes includes complex operations such as anodizing and use of primers.

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Photographers from Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin submitted work which was judged by John Morris of The Ladies Home Journal, Roy Stryker of the Pittsburgh Photographic Library and Arthur S. Siegel, special consultant for the project.

Like the one reproduced above, many of the compositions were long on creative imagination and closely akin to some of the best contemporary painting. Among them were the work of John Szarkowski, John G. Valentine, William C. Diffenderfer, David Reider, Bernard Siegel and Leo C. Massopust.

#### Art at California State Fair

Nowadays, art is as much a fixture at State Fairs as fruit. In the art department, California's fair at Sacra-mento has two points of distinction. First, it offers a California-size prize purse (\$10,000). Second, it is building a permanent collection of contemporary California art by purchasing its award winners.

This year, \$1,000 went to Joseph Oneto for a conservative oil, while Keith Finch won the same amount in the "modern" oil class. First prizes (\$500 and \$300) were taken by student scholarship winner Joseph Cleary and by printmaker Leon Goldin. A traditional still-life by Roger Kuntz won a third prize, an oil by John Miller received a mention. First, second and third sculpture prizes were awarded respectively to Bernard Smith's space-surrounding figure, a Maillol-like nude by Renzo Fenci and an abstraction by Harry Crotty.

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#### Berard

[Continued from page 7] stage architecture for Ballanchine's "Cotillon" and "Mozartiana," and for Cocteau's "La Machine Infernale." His activities as designer mounted with passing years. He inspired many ideas for styles emanating from the grand Maisons de Couture. He seems to have kindled the imagination of Christian Dior with the idea of the New Look.

His last years were the busiest, for he completed some 30 theater works, besides book illustrations, interior decorations, music covers. Bérard died at the theater while working on the fin-ishing touches of the décor of "Four-beries." Colette wrote feelingly of her friend who "knew how to train a piece of cloth, to handle a hammer, to plant nail, to carve the frame of a stage set."

Besides set designs and drawings, there are in the exhibition *Ten Drawings* of *London* in gouache, run off spiritedly and spontaneously in 1948. Bérard seemed to hold dear his talents as painter, as the various commitments in decorative arts drained off his last energies.

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Two exhibitions of instructors' work now at the Brooklyn Museum and the New School are typical of such annual events. But unfortunately, while all of the artists have shown characteristic work, they have, in many cases, chosen to be characterized by work that is less

than their best.

The show of the Brooklyn Museum School faculty's work runs the gamut from extreme conservatism to violent abstraction. Though it is a fallacy to assume that the conservative painter is the conservative teacher, and that the advanced painter is a progressive teacher, one would expect from the exhibition that the school's faculty has sufficient catholicity to satisfy the needs of every student. Best work here includes two wood sculptures by Oliver O'Connor Barrett, a lovely oil by Baziotes, William Kienbusch's Blue Spruce, Gabor Peterdi's beautifully colored oils, Manfred Schwartz's Cat's Cradle, an unassuming oil and collage by Morris Shulman and a pair of brusque Reuben Tam landscapes.

The heterochromous complexion of Brooklyn's faculty is evident in the work of other instructors. Conservative indeed are pictures by John Bindrum, Lou Block, Alexander Kruse, Edwin Dickinson and Moses Soyer. Art education bridging the gap between the conservative and the advanced are Xavier Gonzalez in paint and Milton Hebald in sculpture-both showing almost academic portraits and other more

abstract works.

Advanced styles are well represented here. Max Beckmann paints powerful expressionistic canvases; Stephen Greene prefers a more melancholy, romantic vien; Gregorio Prestopino's simple canvases have an almost primitive air; John Ferren (who put up a stunning student show last spring) veers towards the non-objective; and Arthur Osver captures an urban mood in his abstractions, exploring the esthetic possibilities of roof-tops and buildings.

At the New School, the work represents more of an orthodoxy of the 20th century. One can understand why the New School catalogue lists two courses in "Abstract Painting," one in "Modern Color-Space Composition" and one in "Modern Painting and Drawing" in contrast to their courses in just pain drawing and painting.

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and while the show does not come up to expectations, it does include quite a few things-to-aim-at. Among them are one of Abraham Rattner's sparkling oils, and nice composition by Mario Carreño, an Adja Yunkers' monotype, and woodcuts by Hans Jelinek that have an air of brooding evil, and at the same time are strongly, almost decoratively designed. Seymour Lipton's sculpture is as exciting as ever.

Also present is work by Camilo Egas, Louis Gugliemi, Robert Gwathmey, Stuart Davis, Louis Shanker, Harry Sternberg, and Johannes Molzahn.

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New York caters to its adults' art education needs, but it certainly doesn't let its children go a-begging either. The School Art League is a privately endowed organization which for the past 40 years has been carrying on a dual program to bring art to youngsters. Part of the program is the awarding of scholarships to high school graduates.

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most happy to send all details. Everyone interested in art should become a member of the American Artists Professional League now and help us carry out this great program.

#### **Community Help Needed**

Every community should put art to active use not only as an escape from the pressure of events today, but as genuine training in democracy. If that can be accomplished there should be a genuine American Renaissance in the fine arts. We really must learn to work together. We must put into the hands of both youth and old age the tools for creative work, and cease for awhile merely being part of a listening post. Community art centers should be supported because artistic activity reflects the inner and outer life of man in an orderly, harmonious, and beautiful way. Art must be moved through the main arteries of contemporary American life.

#### As National Chapter Chairman

I was elected to the post of National Chapters Chairman at the annual meeting of the League last April, and am, at this time, working on plans for a chapter in every town in the country.

Art is everywhere. Why not a chapter everywhere? Will you help?

Perhaps a few of the following details will give you a word picture of my record. I call it my record, but without your help, not one of these items would have been worth recording.

Here are some of the figures noted in the 1944 summary. Represented in American Art Week: 29,756 artists; 396,000 patrons; 781 private, public, Catholic, high and grammar schools, secondary colleges and universities; 569 museums, galleries, art clubs and art schools; 601 newspapers with editorials; 11,906 citizens working on committees; 31 proclamations issued by state Governors; 60 Directors.

The estimated value of the work exhibited was \$1,796,000. Sales totaled \$51,083. There were 51 state chairmen. Some 27,000 pieces of mail were handled by me with the aid of our former Executive Secretary, Miss Kelley. Four thousand posters and 8,000 League brochures were also processed. Thirtyone states annually sent scrap-books, some reports weighing as much as 70 pounds.

All the foregoing was accomplished in addition to the mammoth rehabilitation program for service men and women. This is another story, and it will be told later.

#### A Privilege

There is no better place than here to pay tribute to one of my fine friends over the years, by re-printing his opinion of the good of American Art Week.

#### AMERICAN ART WEEK

The entire nation, or more specifically that ever-growing portion of it that is interested less in the material aspects of life and more in the beauty and creative vision that make our stay among earthy things worth the effort, is celebrating American Art Week from Nov. 1 to 7. This period of concentrated appreciation of art, guided so well by the American Artists Professional League during the past several years, has become a potent force in the development of the artistic desire among the masses of everyday Americans, who ordinarily shun like the plague the plush-draped walls of an art gallery. Unlike the multiple special "weeks,"—"nuisance weeks" they have become—American Art Week is a valuable institution, one whose effects are increasingly felt through the entire 52 that Caesar decreed we must have. To the leaders and workers for American Art Week, I say: "Well done! Go back, work a while longer, and some day Amercans will actually want original art in their homes.

-PEYTON BOSWELL, JR.

[Reprinted from The ART DIGEST, November 1, 1938] I shall miss Peyton Boswell's good word this year, and remember him as an understanding friend of all artists.

## Heavy Mail

Welcome words are streaming in from many chapter chairmen and directors. From my window of forecasts it looks as though the sunny skies of great expectations for our annual event will exceed our fondest hopes.

I feel that this is due to Helen Gapen Oehler. article titled You Must, Help-on the American Artists Professional League pages in the July issue of this magazine-is in a large measure responsible for the many inquiries received. So with faith in the future, let all of us face the sun and the shadows will fall behind.

—FLORENCE LLOYD HOHMAN.

#### Evelyn Marie Stuart Says:

In the old days, before Impressionism, not a few landscape painters worked from memory, and perhaps the majority painted from sketches which they enlarged and developed in their studios. Some, finding actual models confusing, even painted figures from memory, and referred disgustedly to "model painters" as men without imagination. Later, there followed schools in which this contempt might seem to have been somewhat justified, in view of the slavish devotion to detail which often permitted not the artist but the model to make the picture. Still, in all these epochs and eras, some men, who could paint expertly in any method that suited their inspiration, became famous. Often there is more charm in a thing done from imagination than from observation, the neglect of accuracy and truth not being missed by a public little able to notice them anyway.

Today, we have realists who almost give one the feel of the air and the motion of leaves, but not always do they give one the thrill of beauty which marked the older and more romantic schools. Time and posterity will decide which approach is best and most likely will find some of the best in both methods. Meanwhile, in art, as in all things, it is well to keep an open mind and allow for different viewpoints as concerns both perform-

ance and appreciation.

Some Italian figure-painters were schooled in a system which established anatomical proportions and acceptable poses in order that they could execute a figure or group suavely and without benefit of models. Surprising grace and beauty was achieved in their compositions, but generally these paintings were devoid of life and spark of feeling. Such rubber-stamp procedures, together with an over-devotion to models, brought about the return to actualism, which involved recording the impression of the moment, eliminating all non-essentials, and having little regard for composition. This degenerated even further into leaving out whatever could not be put in, and finally to not trying to put in anything at all, but merely striving for "the essence." Thus do all trends and fashions pass, but it is said that "art alone endures."



# CALENDAR OF CURRENT EXHIBITIO'

ALBANY, N. Y.
Institute of History & Art To Oct.

Paintings by Grandma Moses.

15: Paintings by Grandma Moses. ANDOVER, MASS. Addison Gallery To Oct. 29: A Bos-ton Businessman's Collection; Oct.

7-22: Photograms.
ATLANTA, GA.
High Museum To Oct. 15: 5th
Southeastern Annual Art Exhibi-

tion.

BALTIMORE, MD.

Museum of Art To Oct. 15: Louis
Rosenthal Miniature Bronzes; The
Businessman Looks at Art.

Walters Art Gallery To Oct. 8: Ancient Transportation & Communication.

BOSTON, MASS.

Brown Gallery Oct.: Modern American Paintings.

Doll & Richards Oct. 9-21: Elias

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Vose Galleries To Oct. 15: Arthur Pope; Alfred V. Churchill. BUFFALO, N. Y. Albright Art Gallery To Oct. 25: Eugene Speicher Retrospective. CANTON, OHIO Art Institute To Oct. 15: Fall Show

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of Ohio Artists.
CAMBRIDGE, MASS.
M.I.T. To Oct. 7: Primitive Art; To
Oct. 15: Design Down Under.
CHICAGO, ILL.
Art Institute Oct.: Prints by Andre

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Chicago Galleries Oct. 7-28: Jane Llewellyn Ott; Arnold E. Turtle; Edmund S. Campbell.
Little Gallery Oct.: Paintings by Byron Goto.
Oehlschlaeger Oct.: Modern French Paintings.
Palmer Galleries Oct. 5-26: Margo Hoff.
Public Library Oct.: Paintings by Harold Haydon,
Stevens Groß Studio From Oct. 5: Art Directors Club of Chicago.
CINCINNATI, OHIO
Art Museum Oct. 1-22: Brooklyn Museum Print Annual.
Taft Museum Oct. 1-Nov. 15: Ancient American Gold & Jade.
CLEVELAND, OHIO
Museum of Art Oct. 6-Nov. 5: "The Sea."
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COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.
Fine Arts Center To Nov. 19: Toulouse Lautrec Prints; Adja Yunkers.
COLUMBUS, OHIO
Gallery of Fine Arts To Nov. 6:
Masterpieces of Painting.
DAYTON, OHIO
Art Institute Oct.: Dayton & Vicinity Artists.
DES MOINES, IOWA
Art Center Oct. 9-29: International
Ceramics Shove; Mestrovic Drawings.

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DETROIT, MICH.
Institute of Arts Oct. 5-29: Charles
Demuth Retrospective; Work in
Progress in Michigan.
FITCHBURG, MASS.
Art Center To Nov. 5: Alexander
James Memorial Exhibition.
GREEN BAY, WIS.
Neville Museum To Oct. 31: Northeastern Wisconsin Art Annual.
HARTFORD, CONN.
Wadsworth Atheneum To Oct. 8:
"Here Comes the Bride"; Old Master Drawings.

HOUSTON, TEX. Museum of Fine Museum of Fine Arts Oct. 1-15: 25th International Photo Salon; E. M. Schiwetz.

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KANSAS CITY, MO.
Nelson Gallery Oct. 1-30: Antique
American & English Silver; Photographs by Henry Prior Clark.

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.
Cowie Galleries Oct.: Modern American Paintings.
Forsyte Gallery Oct.: Modern American Paintings.
Esther's Alley Gallery Oct.: Contemporary American Paintings.
Hatfield Galleries Oct.: Modern
French & American Paintings.
Kistler Gallery Oct.: Modern American Paintings & Prints.

Frank Perls Gallery To Oct. 11:
Joan Miro.
Stendahl Galleries Oct.: Ancient
American & Modern French Art.
Taylor Galleries Oct.: Contemporary
American Paintings.
Vigeveno Galleries Oct.: 10th Anniversary Exhibition.
Frances Webb Galleries Oct.: Contemporary American Paintings.
LOUISVILLE, KY.
Speed Art Museum Oct.: Eugene
Leaks, Jr.; British Prints; 20th
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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.
University Gallery To Oct. 7: Student Show; Iran—Minor Arts.
Walker Art Center To Nov. 5: The Tradition in Good Design: 1940-50.

MONTCLAIR, N. J.
Art Museum Oct. 1-22: Historical Paintings & Costumes.
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
Delgado Museum Oct. 1-23: Shearwater Pottery & Color Block Prints by Robert Anderson; Pepi Weixlgartner; Moses Sover & Bruce Mitchell.

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NEWARK, N. J.

Newark Museum Oct.: Life & Culture of Tibet; The Sculptor Speaks.

NORFOLK, VA.

Museum of Arts & Sciences Oct.: Print Review; American Paintings.

NORWICH, CONN.

Slater Memorial Museum Oct. 8-29: Contemporary Paintings.

OAKLAND, CALIF.

Art Gallery Oct. 8-Nov. 5: Contemporary Watercolors, Pastels, Drawings & Prints.

Mills College To Oct. 29: Japanese Folk Art.

Folk Art.
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.
Art Center Oct. 8-29: "Art in Re-

ligion."
OMAHA, NEBR.
Joslyn Museum Oct.: Meis Van Der Rohe; Raymond F. Da Bolt Calli-graphy; Children's Art Around the World.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Art Alliance Oct.: Frede Vidar; H. Van Kruiningen; Milton Goldstein; Cornelia Damian.
Dubin Galleries Oct. 4-22: Clay:on Whitehill.
Pennsylvania Academy To Oct. 15: Philadelphia Art Directors' Club; Maurice Molarsky Memorial Shov.
Print Club Oct. 5-25: Bernard Reder Woodcut Illustrations.
Woodmere Gallery To Oct. 15: 11th Annual Members Exhibition.
PITTSBURGH, PA.
Arts & Crafts Center To Oct. 8: Group Exhibition by Members.
PORTLAND, ORE.
Art Museum Oct.: Early English Silver; Oregon Advertising Art; Eugene Bennett Watercolors; Japanese Prints.

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PROVIDENCE, B. I.
Museum of Art Oct.; R. I. School of Design Student Exhibition; Aboriginal Galleries Opening.
ROCKLAND, ME.
Farnsworth Museum To Oct. 30: Waldo Peirce Retrospective.
BACRAMENTO, CALIF.
Crocker Art Gallery Oct.: Roger Bolomey Paintings; American Glass; Northern California Arts; Scalamandre Textiles.
ST. LOUIS, MO.
City Art Museum Oct.: County Public Schools Show; Oct. 9-30: Hallmark Art Awards Exhibition.
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
De Young Museum Oct.: Permanent Collections.
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Legion of Honor Oct.: State Centennial Exhibition.
Museum of Art To Oct. 8: Alfred Maurer; To Oct. 29: Telesis—the Next Million People; To Oct. 15: Ruth Amer, Leah Rinne Hamilton & James McCray.
Baymond & Raymond Oct. 3-30: Jacques Schnier Sculpture.
SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.
San Lorenzo Book Shop To Nov. 1: Dorothy Mayer.
SANTA FE, N. M.
Museum of New Mexico To Oct. 15: Indian Artists.
UTICA, N. Y.
Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute Oct. 8-29: Paintings & Prints from the Upper Midwest; Max Weber Dravings & Gouaches; Photographs by the Telbergs.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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National Gallery From Uct. 8: Gulbenkian Collection of Old Masters.

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WILMINGTON, DEL.
Art Center From Oct. 10: Contemporary Paintings & Watercolors.
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO
Buller Art Institute Oct.: 4th Biennial Ceramic Show; Akron Society of Artists Show.

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ACA (63E57) Oct. 9-28: Sylvia Carewe Paintings.
Acquavella (38E57) Oct.: Old Mas-

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America House (32E52) Oct.: Ceteramics by Gladys Lloyd Robinson.
American-British (122E56) To Oct.
7: Gertrude Rogers Oct. 9-31:
Irene Hamar, Sculpture.
American Youth Hostels (351W54)
To Oct. 15: Robin Brant.

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Artists (851 Lex. [64]) To Oct. 12:
John Ruggles; Oct. 14-Nov. 9: Eugenie Baiserman.
Argent (42W57) Oct. 2-21: Graphics
of National Ass'n of Women Art-

of National Accountable AAA (711 5th) To Oct. 7: Edward Chavez. Chaves.
Audubon (1000 5th [82]) To Oct.
19: Walter Ferguson.
Babcock (38E57) Oct. 2-21: Contemporary American Watercolors.
Barransky (664 Mad. [61]) To Oct.
15: Joe Gatto.
Pierre Beres (6W56) To Oct. 14:
Louis Favre Lithographs.
Binet (67E57) To Oct. 13: Miller
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Brittain Bodley (26E55) Oct. 2-21: William

Fett Fett.

Brooklyn Museum (E'Pkwy) To
Oct. 15: Artists Who Teach.

Buchholz (32E57) To Oct. 14: Con

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Burliuk (119W57) Oct. Contemporary American Paintings.
Carlebach (937 3rd [56]) Oct. 3:
21: Albrecht Freudenberg.
Carstairs (11E57) Oct.: Modern French Paintings.
Carre (712 5th [56]) To Oct. 21: Modern French Paintings.
Contemporary Arts (106E57) To Oct. 14: Pre-Season Group; Oct. 2:20: Betty Esmond.
Peter Cooper (313W53) To Oct. 19: Mark Samenfield.
Copain (891 1st [40]) Oct.: A. S. L. Students' Sculpture.
Creative (20W15) Oct. 2-14: Amalia Perlman.

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Delius (18E64) Oct.: Paintings & Drawings, Old & New. Demotte (39E51) Oct. 9-28: Mar-guerite Roche.
Downtown (32E51) To Oct. 21:

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Downtown (32E51) To Oct. 21:
25th Anniversary Exhibition.

Durlacher (11E57) From Oct. 10:
John Tunnard.

Egan (63E57) Oct.: Modern American Paintings.

Exgleston (161W57) To Oct. 7:
Elizabeth Grasso.

8th Street (33W8) To Oct. 8: William Fisher; Oct. 9-22: Oils, Nancy
Root: Watercolors. Lucille Hobbie.

Feisi (601 Mad. [571) To Oct. 11:
Allen Hugh Clarke.

Ferargil (63E57) Oct. 9-21: John
Groth.

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R. Fried (40E68) Oct. 10-28; American Abstract Artists.
Friedman Designs.
Gal. St. Etienne (46W57) From Oct. 5: Oskar Laske.
Ganso (125E57) Oct. 2-28: First Group Exhibition.
Grand Central (15 Vand.) To Oct. 6: James Carlin: To Nov. 9: Founders' Exhibition; Oct. 10-21: Dines Carlsen.
Grand Central Moderns (130E56) To Oct. 6: Ruth Gikovo.
Greiss (47 Chas.) To Oct. 13: American Graphics; From Oct. 14: Frank MacIntyre.
Hacker (24W58) Oct. 3-21: Jack Zuckerman.
Hewitt (18E69) To Oct. 14: Muriel Streeter. R. Fried (40E68) Oct. 10-28; Amer-

Streeter Janis (15E57) To Oct. 21: Challenge & Defy.
Jewish Museum (5th & 92) To Oct.
9: Rabbi Abraham J. Shapira.

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Kennedy (785 5th [59]) Oct.: Latin
America in Prints.
Kleemam (65557) From Oct. 9:
Toulouse-Lautrec Color Posters.
Knoedler (14E57) To Oct. 15:
Demonchy: Cardosa.
Kootz (600 Mad. [57]) Oct. 3-23:
Muralist & Modern Architect.
Kraushaar (32E57) To Oct. 21:
Watercolor & Gouache Group Exhibition.

hibition. aurel (108E57) To Oct. 14: Laurel "Things to Come."
Lenox (847 Lex. [64]) To Oct. 15: Harry Hering. evitt (559 Mad. [56]) To Oct. 14:

Leo Manso.

7. T. Loo (41E57) Oct.: Liquidation Sale.

Luyber (112E57) Oct. 2-21: Pat myber (112E57) Oct. 2-21: Pat Trivigno. facbeth (11E57) Oct. 9-28: James Lechay.

Matisse (41E57) Oct. 1-15: Modern French Paintings. Metropolitan Museum (5th & 82) To Oct. 29: 20th Century Paint-ers, U.S.A., Chessmen. Midtown (605 Mad. [57]) Oct.:

Modern American Paintings.
Milch (55E57) Oct. 2-23: Benjamin

Mich (55E57) Oct. 2:23: Benjamin Kopman.
Modreal (6 5th [8]) To Oct. 12: Art Wells; From Oct. 14: Taro Yashima.
Museum of the City of N. Y. (5th & 104) Oct.: State Designs by Claude Dragdon.
Museum of Modern Art (11W53)
To Jan. 7: Modern British Color Lithographs; To Nov. 19: Lewis Carroll Photographs; To Nov. 19: C. 15: Permanent Collection; To Nov. 12: Photography Exhibition.

Permanent Collection, 10 Nov. 12: Photography Exhibition. duseum Non-Obj. Painting (1071 5th [87]) Oct.: Group Exhibition. New Art Circle (41E57) Oct.: Group

Exhibition.

New Gallery (63W44) From Oct.

\$: Modern French Masters.

Newhouse (15E57) Oct.: Old Mas-

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National Academy (1083 5th [89]).
Oct. 8-29: Art Students League
Diamond Jubilee Exhibition of
Members & Associates Work.
New Gallery (63W44) From Oct.
4: Modern French Masters.
New School (66W12) To Oct. 13:
Faculty Exhibition.
N. Y. Circ. Lib. of Paintings (640
Mad. [601) Oct.: Old Masters &
Modern Fraintings.
Newton (11E57) To Oct. 7; Eve
Garrison.

Newton (11E57) To Oct. 7: Eve Garrison.
Niveau (63E57) Oct.: Modern French Paintings.
B. Parsons (15E57) To Oct. 14:
Anne Ryan, Collages; John Stephan, Paintings.
Passedoit (121E57) To Oct. 14:
Anne Ryan, Collages; John Stephan, Paintings.
Passedoit (121E57) To Oct. 2:
Charles Shaw; Oct. 9-28: Hannah Small, Sculpture.
Peridot (6E12) Oct. 2-28: Louise Bourgeoise, Sculpture & Drawings.
Perls (32E58) Oct. 2-28: Darrel Austin, 1940-50.
Perspectives (34E51) To Oct. 28:
Fabrics by Painters & Sculptors.
Portraits (460 Park [57]) Oct.
American Portraits.
Rehn (683 5th [53]) Oct. 2-21:
James E. Allen.
Riverside Museum (310 Riv. Dr.
[103]) Oct. 10-29: Spiral Group.
RoKo (51 Greenwich) To Oct. 11:
Janet Marren.
Rosenberg (16E57) To Oct. 21:
Modern French Drawings & Watercolors.

Modern French Drawings & Watercolors.
Salpter (36W56) To Oct. 20: Leo Quanchi.
Scalamandre (20W55) Oct.: A Panoramic Review of Textiles.
B. Schaefer (32E57) Oct. 2-21: Barnet, Booth, Busa, Day, Daly & Greene.
Schaeffer (52E58) Oct.: Old Masters.

Schultheis (15 Maiden Lane) Oct.: Old Masters. Segy (708 Lex. [57]) Oct. 9-Nov. 9: African Sculptures. J. Seligman (5E57) Oct. 2-21: Roger Antiker.

Anliker. Serigraph (38W57) Serigraphs by New Members: Boughton, Flory, New Memoers: Bullings.
Twiggs.
& A Silberman (32E57) Oct.:
Old Masters.
Cribune (100W42) To Oct. 15:
Gougehes.

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Paul Shimon Gouaches.
Van Dieman Lilienfeld (21E5
To Oct. 12: Joshua Epstein (21E57)

To Oct. 12: Joshua Epstein & Mary Sinclair.
Van Loen (46E9) To Oct. 15: Ben Zion. Chagail, A. Walkowits, Mane-Katz, Lichtenstein.
Village Art Center (42W11) From Oct. 9: Architectural Exhibition.
Viviano (42E57) Oct. 1-15: Modern Painting & Sculpture.
Washington Square To Oct. 15: 38th bemi-Annual Art Show.
Washington Square Inn (1 Univ. Pl)
To Oct. 23: Paintings from the Artists' Gallery.
Wellons (43E50) Oct. 2-20: Dahlov Ipcar.

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Veyhe (794 Lex. [61]) To Oct. 4: German Expressionist Prints.

Whitney Museum (10W8) To Nov. 5: Permanent Collection of Painting, Sculpture & Drawings.

Wildenstein (18E64) Oct.: The Woman in French Painting.

Willard (32E57) Oct. 10-Nov. 4: Dorothy Hood.

Wittenborn (38E57) To Oct. 21: Contemporary British Printmakers; Sketches by Robert Goodnough.

Workshop School (686 5th) To Oct. 10: Photographs by Jacques Schier.

Howard Young (1E57) Oct.: Old

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